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## Special Media Release

A public relations effort was put forth to recognize volunteers on the Cherry County Extension Board AND to inform the public of their function.

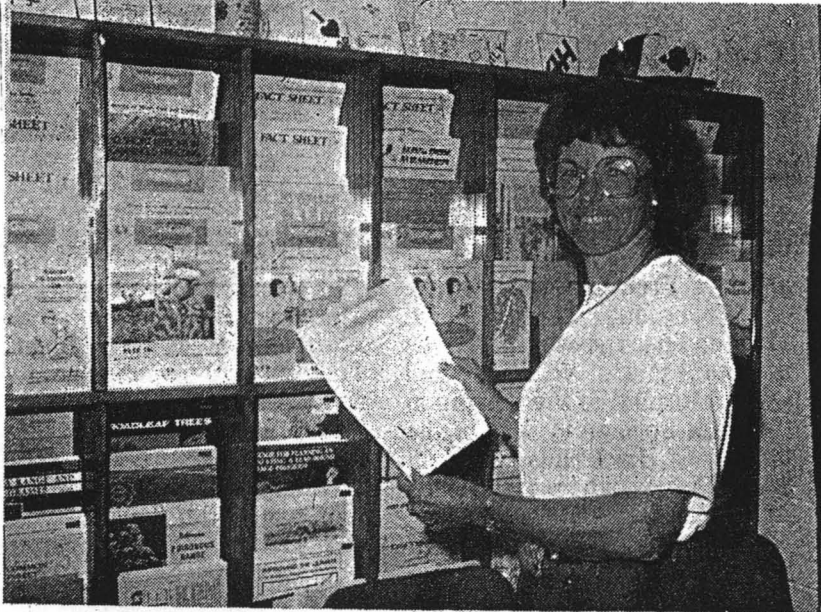
The Cherry County Extension Board members help in planning educational programs and services for Cherry County residents. They work a cooperative program between the United States Department of Agriculture, the University of Nebraska-Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources and the taxpayers of Cherry County. The 1988 Board members are: Back row, left to right, Tom Higgins, Brownlee, 4-H Council Chairperson; Lowell Belville, Board President; Wally Bazyn, Board Treasurer; Ardith Burton of Merriman and Tim Colburn. Seated are Janet Parkhurst, Cody, Board Secretary; Betty Kime and Connie Robertson, Cody, Chairperson for the Home Extension Council.

Valentine Newspaper

July 27, 1988

Valentine Newspaper

September 28, 1988



by Lynda Radant  
Cherry County Agent  
1988

The Cherry County Extension Board recently replaced the literature rack in the Cherry County Extension Office at 110 West Fourth Street. Shirley Kime, Extension Board member, is shown looking at the free publications provided by the University of Nebraska and the Cherry County Cooperative Extension Service.—Extension Service photo.



Cherry County  
Lynda Radant  
Extension Agent Chair - Home Economics  
1988

## HOME ECONOMICS IMPACTS WATER QUALITY

### Overview

Cherry County covers approximately 6000 sq. miles (population: 6000) and is geographically positioned near the top of the world's largest underground water supply of the Ogallala Aquifer. The topography is gently rolling Sandhills, subirrigated meadows, lakes, wild rivers, and some center pivot irrigation systems. Water is almost always abundant in this ranch country, except in drought years. Local water issues of concern are water sales, waste disposal and water quality protection.

### Resource Identification

In January 1988, the Cherry County Extension Service sponsored an interagency meeting to establish a baseline of concerns and efforts being made towards quality water. Representation at the meeting included the local N.R.D., A.S.C.S., S.C.S., rural school superintendent, area ranchers and the Cooperative Extension Service agents. Each agency identified concerns and current water projects status. The various agencies or representatives took claims to areas of water quality responsibilities.

### Networking Outgrowth

The Natural Resource District would be conducting a county wide irrigation well sampling and assisting the A.S.C.S. in providing financial assistance in stock well replacement costs.

The A.S.C.S. volunteered newsletter space for water education or meeting notices.

The Soil Conservation Service is targeting safe well abandonment procedures when counseling for fertilizer and pesticide applications.

The State of Nebraska -Department of Health conducted a random sampling across Cherry County to map nitrate, bacteria, radiation, and 13 pesticides. Chemical usage and well construction interviews were also conducted by the Dept. The five year state wide study data will be added to the baseline information on the Cherry County map to be maintained by the Cherry County Extension Service.

Village and Municipal water technicians explained their current testing procedures and concerns. It was noted that due to their extensive testing, Valentine and other residents on village water supplies would not need to have individual tests run.

Local canoe outfitters were concerned for the river pollution/litter during recreational activities.

The Cherry County Cooperative Extension Service was identified as the primary educational agency. Lynda Radant served as Coordinator and presenter for the following activities:

1. Efforts to understand, protect and maintain our water supplies from the Ogallala Aquifer were made available by water quality agency networking and radio-newspaper media outlets. (Appendix A)
2. Radio coverage lead to the request of residential/stock well water sampling. An Audio-Visual Learning Center was established in the office when Cherry County citizens could learn more about correct sampling procedures. (Appendix B) (Office personnel were trained to show audio-visual presentation.)
3. Water sampling bottles were made available at the Cherry County Extension Office through the Hall County Health Department.
4. Learn-at-Home packets of Neb-Guides, Fact Sheets and resource listings were presented to each family unit requesting sample bottles after viewing the slide set in the Audio-Visual Center. The information included procedures for sampling, interpreting the results, and alternative treatments were included.

5. Leader Training lesson (see appendix - yellow and blue) was developed and written and provided to 200+ families in Cherry County Home Extension Clubs as well as other interested citizens. One in every 25 Cherry County residents were exposed to a formal training on water quality, maintenance and protection. (March '88) (Appendix C)

In September '88, the training was provided to Extension Clubs in the 4 counties of Central Sandhills. (Appendix D)

Training note: Senator Howard Lamb attended the leader training lesson Water Quality in Halsey, Nebraska. Two points were noted: (1) the Senator's home county has had yearly well sampling of all rural wells. This is not conducted in Cherry, Thomas, Hooker, Grant, or Blaine counties. (2) The Senator commented on low attendance at the Water Quality training session. These leaders will train their neighbors and friends to continue the educational outreach efforts of the University of Nebraska - Extension Service.

6. Reinforcement to the water quality emphasis was provided by Extension Agent - Agriculture and Master Gardeners in public meetings, radio programs, news columns and pesticide training programs. (Appendix E)
7. Water-nitrate levels were reported back to the Cherry County Extension Service for mapping on a mounted plat map. (Appendix E)  
Mapping also includes river and stream nitrate readings from the N.R.D. sampling. (Future mapping will include results from irrigation wells, and Department of Health (Appendix F) and rural school readings.)
8. 120 area 4-Her's received water quality education at State 4-H Camp at Halsey by the Long Pine Water Program coordinator.

### Evaluation

As of October 1, 1988, the following results can be identified:

1. Approximately one person of every 25 in Cherry County has attended a public meeting, lesson, networking session or educational learnshop on water quality and health implications. Outreach now includes training to 4 Central Sandhills counties as well.
2. Well sampling has increased 9 times more frequently as a direct result of media coverage and informational programs. (Previous year average 20 samplings. Within nine months time, 180 water samplings have been conducted in Cherry County alone.)
3. Approximately 25% of those requesting sampling bottles have reported baseline data back to the Cherry County Extension Office and is on the increase.
4. Approximately 8000 square miles of Sandhill landowners/residents (and approximately 8000 people) are becoming more aware of water quality/maintenance/preservation/conservation.
5. Consumers now recognize alternative water treatments and processes for safer water.

### Future emphasis on Water Quality in Cherry County

The Cherry County Extension Service will continue efforts in the following areas:

1. Continue to provide water sample bottles, Learn-At-Home packets and mapping of results.
2. Educate youth using "Nebraska Water Riches" 4-H School Enrichment materials in city-rural schools in Cherry County through teacher inservices and special programs. Provide more learning opportunities through resources from Elva Farrell - IPA Intern - U.S.D.A. and other research by the University of Nebraska.
3. Facilitate public policy information on the issue of Water Rights and Water Sales.
4. Promote water protection and maintenance through Home Extension Council with "Clean Up Your Act" environmental protection emphasis for 1989-90.
5. Increase resource base and public information through agent inservices and research and sharings, public news releases, broadcasts and educational displays and maps.
6. Utilize local agency and state resource people for interagency network-sharing.
7. Continue communications on Water Quality to State Senators.

## WATER QUALITY - CHERRY COUNTY

**Meeting is scheduled  
on quality of water**

What is the quality of water in Cherry County? Who does what about it, if it isn't good?

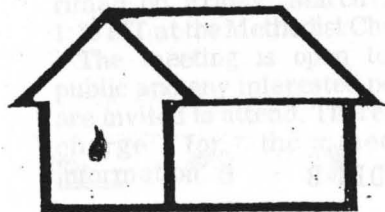
The Cherry County Agents Lynda Radant and Tom Dill are sponsoring a Water Quality Meeting for Cherry County and surrounding counties.

This meeting will help everyone learn who is doing water samplings, testing, problem sites within the county, educational thrusts being attempted to educate the public on nitrate, bacterious/coliform, and other water chemicals and hopefully align forces to improve water quality. In other words: A networking meeting.

All Cherry County Agencies with a concern for water quality, well drillers, city and village water superintendents are asked to attend or send a knowledgeable representative.

The meeting will be held Friday, January 8, 2:00 p.m. at the Cherry County Courthouse meeting room. The snow date will be January 11 at 2:00 p.m. at the same location.

Sample of newsreleases  
prepared by W.C.R.E.C. Dist.  
Home Economists as a District  
Water Quality thrust.



## WATER QUALITY IN THE HOME

Newsrelease

Release Date ..... July

### TYPES OF HOME WATER TREATMENT SYSTEMS

Water quality in the home can be improved through water conditioning equipment.

According to \_\_\_\_\_, Extension Agent - Home

Economics, four common types of water treatment systems for household use are: filters, reverse osmosis units, distillers, and softeners.

The factors to consider before buying any of these systems are:

- 1) type and amount of water contaminants;





Three generations of Cherry County residents are learning more about quality water at the Cherry County Cooperative Extension Service, 110 West Fourth Street. Mrs. Joyce Cadwallader (left) and Mrs. Elizabeth Saterlund are watching the ten minute video on water sampling with Elizabeth's daughter, Christina. (Photo courtesy of Cooperative Extension Service in Cherry County.)

## Water Quality Center will aid in learning to sample

An audio-visual center at the Cooperative Extension Service in Valentine is assisting area residents in learning how to sample water for purity and nitrate levels. The ten minute audio-visual presentation instructs rural residents in proper procedures for accurate testing. The specially treated water sampling bottles are available at the Cherry County Extension Office.

Those having received water analysis back are asked to contact the Extension Service with the results. These results will then be recorded onto a large county map. If any samples register higher than a normal level, retesting and notification of surrounding ranches or areas will be made.

It is hoped that within one year's time, a county wide baseline of Cherry County's water will be established and the overall quality of water improved. Informational packets are available with sampling bottles. Cherry County Extension Clubs will be receiving training in quality water in April and May.

### APPENDIX B

Valentine Newspaper,  
Valentine, Ne.

January 13, 1988

Valentine Newspaper

March 16, 1988

## Know your water quality

The Cherry County Cooperative Extension Service is holding a leader training lesson and informational meeting to learn about the quality of water in Cherry County. The training will focus on how and why water becomes contaminated, where and how to have the water tested, how to interpret water test results and how to choose alternatives if unsafe water is detected.

The trainings will be held in Valentine on two dates on Thursday, March 24 at 1:30 and Thursday, March 31 at 7:30, both at the Courthouse meeting rooms. The training will also be given at Merriman on Friday, March 25 at 1:30 MT at the Methodist Church.

The meeting is open to the public and any interested people are invited to attend. There is no charge for the meeting information.

Valentine Newspaper

March 23, 1988

## water quality leader training scheduled

Several private wells in the Valentine and Cody-North area have been tested and are showing signs of high nitrate levels, and other contamination, according to Lynda Radant, Extension Home Economist for Cherry County Extension Service. County wide mapping of the results is helping identify problem areas.

If you are concerned about the quality of water you drink and have any problems with the water you have, Cherry County residents can learn more about the water quality in Cherry County at some special trainings.

The special trainings will help you select the proper water tests needed, the procedure for testing and how to interpret the results from the State Health labs. The training will also help you select alternatives for water treatment.

The training sessions are open to the public and all Extension Club leaders. The trainings will be given at three locations:

March 24 at 1:30 p.m. CT at the Courthouse in Valentine.

March 25 at 1:30 p.m. MT at the Methodist Church in Merriman.

March 31 at 7:30 p.m. CT at the Courthouse in Valentine.

Valentine Newspaper

March 30, 1988

## Water Quality Training is scheduled Thursday

The Cherry County Extension Service will offer Water Quality Training for Cherry County residents Thursday, March 31, at 7:30 p.m. CT at the Courthouse meeting room in Valentine.

"Attendance at the two daytime trainings in Valentine and Merriman were received very well," reports Lynda Radant, Extension Home Economist for the Cherry County Extension Service. We are emphasizing the health effects upon humans and animals, the interpretations of results when water samples are taken and consumer knowledge of water treatment systems if results indicate a need for a home treatment.

The training is free of charge and open to the public. A limited supply of water test bottles will be available at the meeting.

The Cherry County Cooperative Extension Service is working on a water quality mapping for data baseline with other state and local agencies in Cherry County. The map will be available for viewing at the training.



# Across the Region

News from West Central Nebraska counties each week

## Blaine

**Brewster** — The county commissioners will meet today at 10 a.m. at the courthouse. ... Doc Middleton's Saloon and Steakhouse, currently closed to be opened later under new management, will open Saturday evening only for a prime rib buffet and a dance to "White Line Fever" from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

**Dunning** — Nancy Amen, daughter of Gary and Joyce Amen, Dunning, was selected Loup Valley Conference female athlete of the year for 1987-88. ... Future Homemakers of America will meet tonight at 6 at the school. ... Parents and others are invited to the homecoming pep rally Thursday at 7 p.m. in the school gym. The S Club will host a Jersey Auction of player's football jerseys, plus window tiger dolls for the volleyball girls. Additional items for auction include some old volleyball uniforms from Brewster, Halsey-Dunning letters, and some old Sandhills warm-up tops and basketball tops found while cleaning a store room. ... Crowning of high school homecoming royalty and a dance will be at the town hall after the games with Thedford Friday. Volleyball games will begin at 5 and football at 7:30 p.m. ... The library is open every Thursday from 7 to 9 p.m. until the middle of October. VCR movies of family shows, westerns and old classics will be shown. ... A free immunization clinic will be held Monday, 2-4 p.m., at the Sandhills High School in Dunning.

## Cherry

**Kilgore** — "Fall Out of Style" is the theme for the style show Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. at the Kilgore Elementary School gym sponsored by the Cozy Fireside Extension Club.

**Merriman** — The Methodist Church will hold its fall festival and a soup and pie supper Oct. 29. Friday the grade school will hold a pet show at 2:30 p.m. at the track north of the school.

**Valentine** — During half-time at

## Hooker

**Mullen** — The Hooker County Centennial Rifle is a Winchester Model 94 XTR in 30/30 caliber with a special serial number ending in 100 assigned by the manufacturer. A gold inlaid inscription on the right side designates the centennial. The rifle will be used in fund-raising activities for the centennial to be celebrated in July, 1989. For more information contact The Abbott Bank, Paul's Liquor and Drive-Inn, Donna Reynolds at Macke's Store, The Hooker County Tribune, Frank Harding or Gary Tuton. The Centennial Committee will meet Sunday at 7 p.m. in the grade school lunch room. ... Centennial cookbook recipes are due by Friday in the special box at Macke's Store or to Lori Nelson, home economics teacher at the high school. ... The Genealogical Society will sponsor a bake and rummage sale to benefit the county centennial Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the hotel lobby. Donations will be welcome. ... Area persons interested in the Compassionate Friends mini-conference at the Kiawana Cabin in Scottsbluff on Oct. 8 may contact Don and Marge Pearson, Box 477, Mullen. Workshops on grief when a child or sibling dies are scheduled. ... County commissioners will meet Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. at the courthouse. ... An extension leader training lesson and informational meeting on water quality in the four Central Sandhills Area counties will be today at 1:30 p.m. at the library, open to the public. ... The Cedarview Cemetery Board will meet at the village meeting room tonight at 7. ... EMT and First Responder practice will be Wednesday at 7 p.m. at the high school library. ... Senior Citizens business meeting and birthday cakes will be Monday at 6:30 p.m. at the center. ... The VFW will meet at 7 p.m. and the American Legion Marcy Upton Post No. 109 at 8 p.m. Monday at the Vet's Club.

Lorna Dobbins, secretary; and Grace Miller, treasurer. ... 4-H record books are due in the Logan-McPherson Counties Extension Office Friday. ... Come Double Club will meet at lodge hall Saturday at 7:30 p.m. with hosts Eva Correll, Audrey McClintock and Mr. and Mrs. Miles Snyder.

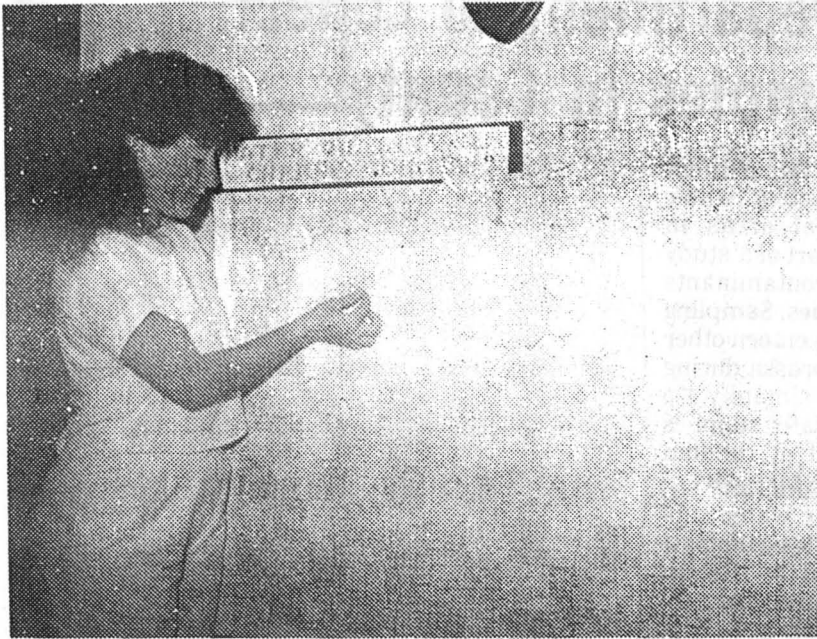
## Perkins

**Grant** — Grant Chamber of Commerce Newcomers Night will be Sunday at 6:30 p.m. at the Perkins County Senior Center. The event is open to all area residents who are encouraged to bring a covered dish to share with the newcomers in the community. ... Oct. 5 is the tentative date for a public hearing in Grant to discuss a low-level radioactive waste storage facility. Rich Paton, vice president of U.S. Ecology will moderate the meeting. ... "Come to Nebraska 1888" will be the theme of a presentation by historian Robert Manley Monday at 1:15 p.m. at the Perkins County Senior Center. The event is sponsored by the Perkins County Historical Society.

## Thomas

**Halsey** — Central Sandhills Area Cooperative Extension Service will conduct a leader training lesson and informational meeting about water quality in Blaine, Thomas, Hooker and Grant Counties today at 9:30 a.m. at the Community Building.

**Thedford** — A State Health Department report shows that 95.6 percent of the students in county schools have been immunized. All 76



Cherry County Extension Office Assistant, Delaine Sell, is mapping residential water quality results for Nitrate baseline data. Photo courtesy of Cooperative Extension Service.

## Extension Service Maps Water Quality Readings

The Cherry County Cooperative Extension Service has been mapping residential well readings of nitrate and coliform levels in a survey of the county's water quality.

Results are coming in from various ranches all across Cherry County, reports Lynda Radant, Extension Agent for Cherry County. We do need more reports from the west end of the county, around the Merriman, Fawn Lake, and southwestern corner of the County for more complete screening.

"The results of the water samplings are turning out very low, as we have hoped," Radant adds. We are doing this screening for two primary reasons, to encourage people to check the safety of their water supply and to gather the baseline information on the quality of water that sits on top of Ogallala Aquifer.

Three problem areas have shown up, and retesting is being done. Those areas are north of

Crookston into South Dakota, a housing subdivision southwest of Valentine, and one isolated area in the Goose Creek area in southeast Cherry County.

Ranchers are encouraged to have their water sampled every two years. This will help them know the quality of water, note any contamination or increases in undesirable chemicals and to protect their valuable resource.

The Cherry County Extension Service in Valentine has an audio-visual learning center where the public may view water sampling procedures and protection efforts in just a few minutes. Information packets dealing with water contaminants, remedies and home treatment systems are available, along with water sampling bottles, from the Cherry County Extension Service in Valentine. Those people who have had their water sampled are asked to report the results to the Extension Office, for the mapping, by calling 402/376-1850.

## Tommy Combs

Cooperative Extension Service  
Cherry County

### Master Gardener

## Hot weather lawn care when and how to water

The best time to water your lawn is early morning from 4 a.m. to 8 a.m. The least demand for water is placed on the water system at this time, wind and evaporative losses are low, application efficiency is high, and distribution is best. Midday watering is not hazardous but is inefficient and wind makes it difficult to apply water uniformly.

A form of midday watering, called syringing, is beneficial for lawns to minimize high temperature stress. This light application of water evaporates from leaf blades surfaces rapidly. The evaporation process cools the turf and reduces heat stress.

Avoid watering in the early evening or late at night. Evening and night watering increase disease problems. Night watering may be necessary in some cases but it should be used only when early morning watering cannot be practiced.

Water lawns thoroughly, infrequently, and uniformly to develop a deep, extensive root system. Infrequent (i.e. 5 to 7 days), but thorough watering encourages the plants to develop a deep root system. Plants with a shallow root system are prone to heat and drought stress and damage from disease and insects.

Remember most of our lawn grasses in this area are cool season grasses. They tend to go dormant in July and part of August. Don't let your lawn get so dry that it crackles when you walk on it and expect not so perfect a lawn in the very hot season.

I hope these few facts on lawn care will be helpful to you. Remember to mow your grass 2½" to 3" tall. This is important with a regular schedule of watering to maintain your lawn. In the last part of August start lowering the height gradually to ½" to 2" for fall and spring maintenance. If you have any further questions, please call me at the Extension Office, phone 376-1850, or better yet drop in and visit.

Tom Combs  
Master Gardener



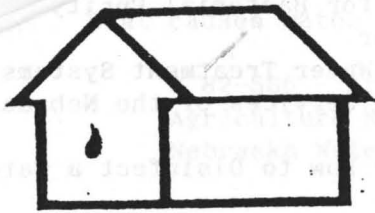
# Health Department to collect water samples in County

The State Health Department will soon be collecting water samples from rural areas in Cherry County as part of a study on the presence of contaminants in rural water supplies. Sampling will take place in seventeen other counties across Nebraska during the summer. Approximately 400 owners of private water supplies have been selected at random and will be asked to take part

Owners of private water supplies who are asked to participate will be interviewed by Health Department staff about the construction of their wells and about pesticide and nitrate usage in the area. Samples of water will be tested by the State Health Laboratory in Lincoln for bacteria, nitrates, radiation, and 13 pesticides. Testing will be performed at no cost to participants. Each participant will receive a copy of the test results when testing is completed.

The five-year study is beginning its fourth year of testing water samples from counties throughout Nebraska. The results from previous years show that atrazine is the pesticide most commonly found in rural water supplies. Nitrates have been detected in about 15 percent of the samples, according to Health Department data. The study is co-sponsored by the federal Centers for Disease Control and the State Health Department.

Water supply owners who have not been selected to participate in the study but who wish to have their water tested can do so for a fee. Nitrate and coliform tests are \$18.07 together, radiation is \$33.60, and a scan for 13 pesticides is \$99.08. For more information contact your local extension agent or Candace Jacobs, D.V.M. at the State Department of Health, P.O. Box 95007, Lincoln, NE 68509 or call 402-471-2541.



# WATER QUALITY IN THE HOME

## Leader's Guide

by

Lynda Radant

Extension Agent - Home Economics  
Cherry County

## Objectives:

Participants will be able to:

1. Become aware of sources of water contamination
2. Obtain licensed water testing sources for appropriate tests.
3. Interpret results of water tests.
4. Have a knowledge of alternative treatments if contamination occurs.
5. Protect natural groundwater reserves

## Leader Materials:

Water Quality in the Home - Leader's Guide  
(Discussion Guide)

Set of member references

Water test sample bottle

\*Domestic Water Quality Testing - slide  
set available

## Member Materials:

Water Quality in the Home - Discussion Guide  
Reference packet:

G 74-80 - Physical Content of Drinking Water

G 74-79 - Chemicals in Drinking Water

G 82-586 - Effects of Agriculture Runoff on  
Nebraska Water Quality

G 85-763 - Nitrate-Nitrogen in Drinking  
Water

G 74-78 - Testing for Bacterial Pollution in Drinking Water  
 HEG 87-212 - Home Water Treatment Systems  
 FS Water Quality - Services of the Nebraska Health Labs  
 FS Water Quality - How to Disinfect a Water System  
 FS Water Quality - Removal of Nitrates  
 FS Water Quality - Bacteriological Treatment of Farm Water Supplies  
 FS Water Quality - Iron in the Drinking Water

Other resources listed in Member's Discussion Guide.

Before the lesson:

1. Review the lesson material provided as part of the leader's packet
2. Tell about your own results with your water testing
3. Contact club members and ask if they would have their rural wells screened. Order bottles from Extension Office and pick them up before meeting.
4. Schedule audio-visual program if desired.
5. Plan a means of encouraging water sampling and reporting to the Extension Office (Keep track of names of people who take bottles!)
6. Roll Call or discussion starter topic:

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After the lesson:

- Report names of people taking sampling bottles.  
 Remind members to report results to Extension Office.  
 Discuss possible topics for follow-up lessons  
 Report to Lynda the overall acceptance of the lesson

Special thanks to Linda Buethe, Extension Home Economist in Johnson County, for sharing Leader Training resources.

What causes water contamination?

G 82-586 - Effects of  
Agriculture Runoff on  
Nebraska Water Quality

Human Carelessness -  
gasoline, harmful household chemicals,  
fertilized field runoff  
livestock areas  
abandon mines  
salted roads  
industrial areas

Natural causes -  
animal waste - feedlots  
virgin land  
lightening  
plant growth

Improper management practices  
soil & climate considerations  
residual nitrogen testing  
irrigation/chemigation scheduling  
chemical monitoring

Toxic Waste Dumps

B. What are the Consequences of  
groundwater contamination?  
(more specifically nitrates)

G 85-763 - Nitrate-Nitrogen  
in Drinking Water

G 74-79 - Chemicals in our  
Drinking water

G 74-80 - Physical Content  
of Drinking Water

FS 35 - Water Quality: Iron  
in Drinking Water

Human

blood abnormalities  
potential cancer-causing N-nitroso  
compounds within the gastro-  
intestinal tract (colo-rectal  
cancer)  
Methomoglobinemia-blood lacks ability  
to carry sufficient oxygen to  
individual cells of body  
(poor nutrition)  
selection of food  
preparation of food  
Xprocessed meats  
Xvegetable preparation  
-ascorbic acid may help detoxify  
for those w/low stomach acid or  
on medication  
gardens - avoid high nitrogen fertilizer

Economic-----Animal

over-ingestion in feedstuff/water/  
fertilizer  
plants-fertilizer/natural  
characteristics of plant/drought/  
herbicide/disease/shading=  
quality hay  
Animal Symptoms-nitrate toxicity=  
excess salivation  
loss of coordination  
vomiting labored breathing  
abdominal pain  
diahrhea  
dark brown or chocolate colored  
blood



C. What is in the water? What constitutes safe and unsafe water?

G 74-78 - Testing for Bacterial Purity of Drinking Water

D. Who does the sampling?

G 74-77 - Where to Get Water Analyzed

FS 37 - Water Quality: Services of Nebraska Health Lab

cyanotic (blue) mucous membranes  
rapid weak pulse  
low tolerance to exercise  
results are (1) reproductive problems (abortive)  
(2) vitamin A destruction  
(3) intake depression  
(4) disruptive thyroid function

Basic testing -

1. Nitrate -

Levels 10+ ppm - danger!

8-10 ppm - caution

below 8 ppm - safe

babies at risk -

more w/treatment options

2. Coliform - bacteria -

-most water borne diseases

transmitted by contact ill

persons, soil and vegetation

Non-coliform

-may cause taste, odor, precipitate

iron and manganese, slime to

develop

-disinfecting well/or treated for

biological safety

3. Fluoride-

-chemical level prevents tooth

decay

4. Hardness analysis-

Hard water - water in which

calcium and magnesium salts cause

soap to form curds

(1/2 gr. of calcium & mg. present)

Soft Water -

1 grain of hardness or less as

"soft"

What are the alternatives for treatment?

HEG 87-212 - Home Water Treatment Systems

FS 29 - Water Quality: Removal of Nitrates

FS 30 - Water Quality: How to Disinfect a Water System

FS 31 - Water Quality: Bacteriological Treatment of Farm Water Supplies

\*Remove the source of contamination

1. Disinfect -
  - a. chlorine
  - b. shock chlorination
2. Water softeners - remove minerals (also good ones - calcium, iron, etc.)  
May add too many salts

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Softners-Chemical-1.precipitating  
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-substance added to water to remove dissolved calcium & magnesium salts by forming a precipitate  
example: washing suds, perfer, sal sody, etc. form a sticky precipitate (soap curd)

2.nonprecipitating

-combined into laundry soaps to combat hardness-locks them up (sequestered) so they are not free to react with soap to cause a curd (Calgon & Spring Rain)

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Mechanical softeners-Cation exchange  
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-hard water passes through exchange material that trades them for salts (dissolved mineral but no calcium or magnesium present)

3. Activated Charcoal filters  
-removes taste; odor, sediment & organic chemicals but not dissolved,  
-granular most effective vs. powdered chemicals
  - a. sink models
  - b. under sink
  - c. free standing

4. Distillation-  
-water is heated until it vaporizes leaving bacteria, minerals, & other subst. behind (some vaporize & go back into water)  
-slow process  
-ranges \$150 - \$500  
-difficult to keep clean  
-require energy & lots of water (5 gallons of tap water produces 1 gallon distilled)

5. Reverse Osmosis (RO)  
-removes most chemicals, micro-organisms and dissolved inorganic materials to 90% free of biological & mineral contaminants

before passing impure water  
pressure through a semi-permeable  
membrane

6. Aeration -

- Air bubbling through water releases volatile compounds which cause water to taste flat
- inexpensive faucet screens
- usually used with another treatment

7. Boiling -

- Boiling 15-20 minutes will destroy small amounts of bacteria & other microorganisms
- Does concentrate other minerals/impurities such as nitrates, sulfates

City/Municipal testing

State Health Department Standards

Safe Drinking Water Act -

Groundwater Law protects sources of water by regulating landfills, underground gasoline storage, stockpiles of road salts, mines, farm chemicals and procedures used with these substances.

Sandy soils of Cherry County area allow  
contaminates to drain through soil  
faster (leaching)

Water table is shallow and sitting on  
Ogallala Aquifer

Protection through:

Planning-

- install new wells being aware of natural and manmade drainage systems
- observe well drillers standards
- be aware of county mapping/screening projects

Maintaining-

- keep wells capped or sealed
- check septic tank drain fields
- pump tank every 2 years
- never dispose of motor oils, paints, solvents, pesticides in septic systems or where drainwater can leach into

F. Are public water supplies  
susceptible to contamination?

G. Let's keep it clean!

WHO is doing WHAT?

Cherry County  
Activities 1988

- | -test water annually
- | use garden/yard chemicals safely
- | Practice-
- | -attend pesticide/chemigation
- | trainings
- | -use safe laundry practices
- | HEG 81-152 - Laundering Pesticide
- | Contaminated Clothing
- | -become involved in environmental
- | protection for landfills or toxic
- | waste sites or "area-safe" collection
- | projects

Cherry County Cooperative Extension Service

- County wide baseline nitrate mapping
- Educational programs
- water-pesticides & chemigation
- training
- Media releases on water quality
- Audio-visual learning station
- Educational info packets
- Water test kits available

Natural Resource District-Middle Niobrara

- cost sharing on pasture wells
- Irrigation well testing-summer '88

Soil Conservation Service-(Cherry)

- targeting abandon well safety
- counseling on pesticide/fertilizer
- application

Agriculture Stabilization & Conservation  
Service-(Cherry)

- Well replacement cost sharing for
- pasture wells
- newsletter information

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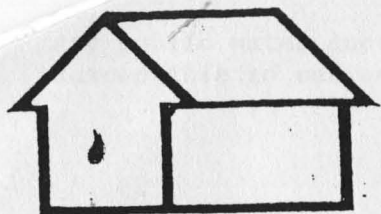
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Other Sources Available if Needed from Cherry County Extension Office

- FS 32 - Water Quality: Shock-Chlorinating Small Water Systems
- FS 33 - Water Quality: Chlorination of Private Water Supplies
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# WATER QUALITY IN THE HOME

## DISCUSSION GUIDE

by

Lynda Radant

Extension Agent - Home Economics  
Cherry County

A. What causes water contamination?

G 82-586 - Effects of  
Agriculture Runoff on  
Nebraska Water Quality

B. What are the Consequences of  
groundwater contamination?  
(more specifically nitrates)

G 85-763 - Nitrate-Nitrogen  
in Drinking Water

G 74-79 - Chemicals in our  
Drinking water

G 74-80 - Physical Content  
of Drinking Water

FS 35 - Water Quality: Iron  
in Drinking Water

C. What is in the water? What constitutes safe and unsafe water?

G 74-78 - Testing for  
Bacterial Purity of  
Drinking Water

D. Who does the sampling?

G 74-77 - Where to Get  
Water Analyzed

FS 37 - Water Quality:  
Services of Nebraska  
Health Lab

E. What are the alternatives for  
treatment?

HEG 87-212 - Home Water  
Treatment Systems

FS 29 - Water Quality:  
Removal of Nitrates

FS 30 - Water Quality:  
How to Disinfect a  
Water System

FS 31 - Water Quality:  
Bacteriological Treatment  
of Farm Water Supplies

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susceptible to contamination?

G. Let's keep it clean!

Special thanks to Linda Buethe, Extension Home Economist in Johnson County, for  
sharing Leader Training resources.



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EC 87-727 - Protecting Our Groundwater - A Grower's Guide

Slide Sets Available from Cherry County Extension Office

- Protecting Our Groundwater
- \*Domestic Water Quality
- Signs & Symptoms of Pesticide Poisoning
- Laundering Pesticide Clothing



## Cherry County's First Master Gardener

WANTED: Master Gardener for Cherry County. Must have the heart of Mr. Valentine, the public appeal of Santa Claus, broadcast talents of Paul Harvey, and super-powers of Superman. Some gardening interests as will be trained by University of Nebraska Horticulturalist.

JACKPOT! Cherry County was honored to have Tommy Combs apply, and he fits the bill perfectly, too! Tommy's other alias was as Mr. Cupid for Valentine for many years on February 14th and the garden club ladies especially love him. He also knows Santa Claus very intimately as he helps all generations talk to Santa at the local radio station KVSH before Christmas.

Tommy and a former County Agent used to have seasonal contests for the biggest, ripest, first-of-season tomato, and tried all varieties of vegetables in Cherry County to prove local consumer recommendations. He even came equipped with greenhouse background. Is it any wonder the local radio station played Superman's theme music for the Cherry County's Master Gardener radio program?

Tommy braved hundreds of miles of icy-snowy roads to receive his University training for the Master Gardener program, field days and tree trimming programs. His heart-warming attitude thawed the garden plots in Cherry and Thomas County, Nebraska, and Todd and Tripp Counties of South Dakota radio broadcast area. Tom assisted area gardeners in all types of consumer decisions from seed to weed and bugs. He grabbed the new Cherry County Ag Agent by the steering wheel and together they assisted locals with drought stricken trees and overworked lawn problems.

Despite retirement (?) and his health concerns, Tom is ever loyal to his Tuesday-Thursday office hours from 2 to 5 and weekly Wednesday radio program and newspaper columns. He ever so modestly reports he has handled numerous telephone calls, countless "office walk-in" calls and equal amounts of "walk-alongs" as he walks down the street!

Cherry County's Master Gardener spent other hours with local grocers promoting a giant squash contest for the Year of the Squash and encouraging flower and garden entries for the Cherry County Fair.

Tommy is a true Extension Team member and now that gardens are put to bed for the winter and houseplants brought indoors, Toms always helping promote the latest circulars, video conferences, 4-H program support and provide office assistance. He has made hours of envelope stuffing and collating fly-by with his ever cheery attitude and thoughtfulness.

So what's the Master Gardener up to now, you ask? Well, Veteran's Day needs a special program, there's a youth gardening grant to look into, he's assisting the Extension Home Economist with safe turkey preparation promotion, and the holiday poinsettias and amaryllis need care and Santa Claus IS coming to Valentine...

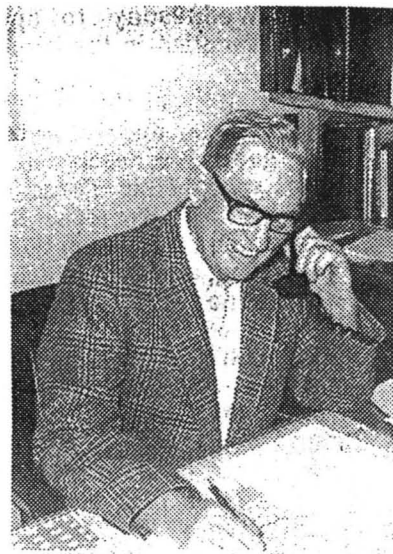
Lynda Radant  
Certified Home Economist  
Cherry County - Agent Chair  
November 1988

\* This volunteer program was instigated to provide help during a five month absence of a agriculture agent.



**Sunshine  
Greenhouse**  
*wishes to congratulate*  
**Tommy Combs**  
*on achieving*  
**Master  
Gardener**

**Cooperative Extension Service Volunteer Staff Member**



**Combs on the Job**

Tommy Combs, Valentine, has completed the "Master Gardener" training program conducted by the University of Nebraska.

Tommy will help answer calls and questions about lawns and gardens on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2-5 p.m. at the Cherry County Extension Office, 376-1850. Photo courtesy of Cooperative Extension Service in Cherry County.

**Master Gardener  
Joins Extension Service**

What will you be when you grow up?, is an age old question everyone has asked. One Valentine resident probably always replies, "a gardener". And now that Senior citizen Tommy Combs has grown up. He can add to his successful line of occupations "Master Gardener", with pride.

This past week Mr. Combs has become the County Extension Service's first volunteer staff member to assist local citizens with lawn and garden problems. Combs has attended extensive training sessions in North Platte in February and March with the University of Nebraska Horticulture Specialist.

Tommy will be available to answer questions for Cherry County residents Tuesday and Thursday afternoons, from 2:00 to 5:00, at the Cherry County Extension Service.

"Tommy Combs will be a valuable asset to the Cherry County Extension Service this summer. He's highly respected in the community for his gardening and horticultural abilities. His office hours on Tuesday and Thursday will be greatly appreciated," according to Lynda Radant, Extension Home Economist.

1988 Cherry County 4-H Council Goals  
as observed by  
Lynda Radant, Agent Chair

July 1988

At the close of the 1987 4-H year, members of the Cherry County 4-H Council met to identify the needs and goals of the 4-H program. Five major areas were identified:

1. Increase effectiveness of the 4-H Council by the use of committees.
2. Educate and publicize the benefits of the 4-H program.
3. Provide assistance to 4-H leaders with educational and organizational sharings and appropriate recognition.
4. Develop a curriculum flow for 4-H projects.
5. Increase teen enrollment and recruitment.

During the last twelve months, extensive efforts have been made to meet the Council goals. Despite the shortage of a 4-H Assistant for over a year, and the absence of an agriculture agent for five months, the 4-H Council has been assisted by the Extension Agent - Home Economics and Extension office - Office Assistant in helping coordinate, and maintain committee activities that have strengthened the Cherry County 4-H program.

Accomplishments have been noted in the following observations:

1. Council effectiveness was increased by redefining thirteen council committees; providing clear-cut job descriptions, developing a printed calendar with pertinent dates, goals and Council resource people. Job descriptions of 4-H agents, assistants and committee chairs were defined in a committee worksheet identifying goals, activities, job assignments; awards, incentives and recognition and needed budget expenses.  
4-H files in the Extension Office underwent extensive reorganization, cleaning, and reduction for more efficiency.
2. The benefits of 4-H programming were widely publicized through 4-H newspaper and radio coverage by efforts of a newly formed Public Relations committee. "Chris Clover" became a regular weekly feature publicizing 4-H activities and events as well as public information. Special features were written by Extension Agent on the 4-H Horse program, clothing, and textile education, fashion shows and Skill Day activities and 4-H Fair.  
Gifted education resource people were provided information on the scope and curriculum structure of 4-H projects through the Educational Service Unit and Gifted Education Council.
3. Two leaders in Cherry County received registration stipends to the North Central Leaders Forum in Fargo, N.D. The training opportunities provided ideas, "recharge" and recognition to the volunteer core. Two junior leader age 4-H'ers received paid registration to 4-H State Conference and camp counselor scholarships were offered.

4-H Achievement Night emphasized awards and incentives available to 4-H leaders and clubs as well as 4-H members in project areas through display of medals, plaques, trophies and certificates that were explained in the County printed booklet entitled 4-H Awards and Incentives. (

More ideas for recognition and incentive are being explored. (See Awards and Incentive booklet.)

4. Curriculum flow for 4-H projects was publicized in two major project areas via the 4-H Cherry P.I.T. newsletter, "What's New" flyer sheets for 4-H families and the pilot of a Horse Packet that included show dates, advancement levels, state and district show information, county guidelines and 4-H Advancement level information.

A dramatic increase in participation of 4-H Horse and Clothing activities resulted. (See story on Enrollment Drops - Participation Increases Seven-Fold.) As a result, Livestock and Food areas have been recommended for expansion in 1989 through the curriculum flow emphasis and "information packet" methods.

5. Although teen enrollment did not actually increase, the teen participation remained constant with increased enthusiasm. This can be attributed to efforts made to include teens in leadership assisting methods, involvement in activities as assistants, more activity participation at Skill Day activities and State activities awareness, and emphasis on incentives and award programming.

Teen recruitment and enrollment retention could be assisted by more professional staff assistance (when we have them!) and emphasis on growth through curriculum flow. (



COMMITTEE PLAN

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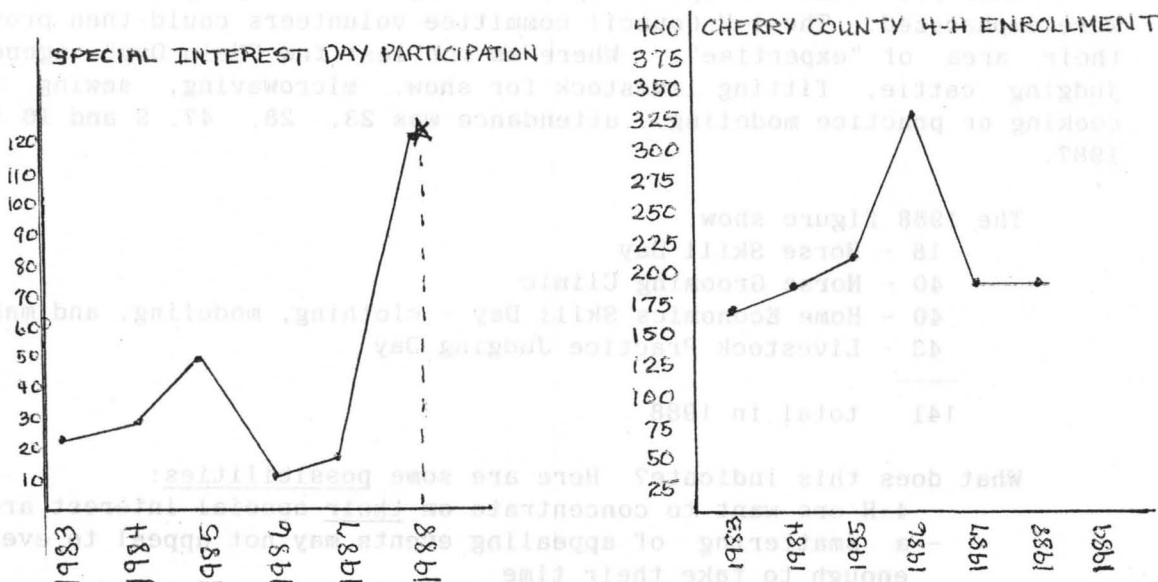
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### Enrollment Drops - Participation Increases Seven-Fold

While the depressing statistics showed a drastic decline in 4-H numbers in Cherry County this year, activities normally poorly attended, such as Help Day, skyrocketed with big numbers.



(Statistics used for this charting begin primarily because the figures were easy to retrieve with a newer reporting system.)

#### EXPLANATION OF ENROLLMENT

Cherry County enrollment started a swing upward in 1984-5 due to the promotion of 4-H projects in the rural schools. These were primarily the responsibility of the 4-H Assistant. In 1986 the drastic increase is reflected by the 4-H Assistant doing primary leadership to embryology in Schools; the Ag Agent lending expertise in the school enrichment Plant-A-Tree project and the Home Economics Agent handling a nutritional analysis project entitled "Dietcheck".

1987's decline was due in fact to the vacancies of the 4-H position as well as 1988 when only one agent worked full-time.

#### EXPLANATION OF ACTIVITY INCREASE

What caused the drastic upswing in 4-H Help Day attendance in 1988? Volunteer management!

In the winter months of 87-88, the 4-H Council committees were scrutinized by the Ag and Home Economics agents due to the 4-H Assistant vacancy.

The thirteen committees on the council were divided between the two agents to share the vacancy responsibility but two months later, only one agent remained! 4-H Council members and committees were printed onto 4-H family calendars.

Committee sheets were designed to help clarify the specific goals and committee responsibilities, dates, promotions, assignments, award and incentives criteria, needed budgets and time lines. A simple fact remained, one agent couldn't handle all the programming done in the past. Volunteers were needed!

Armed with specific job descriptions and expectations, the volunteers pulled off one of the greatest years ever! Activity attendances exceeded previous years.

A prime example holds evident with 4-H "Help Day". This one day event formerly was designed to provide help in all areas of home economics and ag related projects with some "fun things" thrown in on the side. The idea was greater appeal to more interest areas and the topics have always been excellent but poorly attended.

This year, the concept of specializing or developing 4-H'ers skills indepth were emphasized. The 4-H Council committee volunteers could then provide help in their area of "expertise". Where as the last few "Help Day" agenda included judging cattle, fitting livestock for show, microwaving, sewing fads, B-B-Q cooking or practice modeling...attendance was 23, 28, 47, 9 and 18 from 1983 to 1987.

The 1988 figure show:

18 - Horse Skill Day

40 - Horse Grooming Clinic

40 - Home Economics Skill Day - clothing, modeling, and makeover emphasis

43 - Livestock Practice Judging Day

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141 total in 1988

What does this indicate? Here are some possibilities:

- 4-H'ers want to concentrate on their special interest areas
- a smattering of appealing events may not appeal to everyone enough to take their time
- reinforcing background and experiences may lead to greater project satisfaction (example: Horse Skill events were proportional to the drastic increase in Horse Levels Advancement)
- committees of "experts" plan wonderful things
- 4-H'ers, leader, families (and Agent!) all had a super time!

Empowering 4-H volunteers does "make a difference".

Lynda Radant  
Certified Home Economist  
Cherry County Agent - Chair  
(and survivor!)





## Cherry County 4-H Horse Project Decline - Quality Improved

In an effort to add more learnings to a fun project, the Cherry County 4-H Council backed efforts to improve the quality in horsemanship among 4-H members.

By mid-August County Fair, thirty-seven advancements levels had been achieved although project enrollment had declined in Cherry County.

In order to improve the educational efforts and benefits of the 4-H Horse curriculum, 4-H Horse packets were assembled by Agent Radant, a first for the Cherry County program.

A Horse Skill Day was held to help 4-Hers prepare for advancement level testing. As a result of the increase in horse study, a Horse Grooming clinic was held prior to the County Fair Open and 4-H Horse Shows. Forty 4-H members and family attended.

Agent Radant reported a definite increase in the degree of competition during the summer horse show circuits. "Even though parents grumbled along, and kids worked harder than ever, the grins of accomplishment were of genuine pride," reported Extension Agent Radant.

(See Appendix 2)

	Horse Projects	Adv. Level 1	Adv. Level 2
1984	85	0	3
1985	72	0	1
1986	67	5	5
1987	72	5	2
1988	51	23	14

Pictured above are those achieving Horsemanship Level I: Front row, left to right, Ryan Radant, Lois Sokol, Jill Fleming and Misti Jo Elliott.

Second row, left to right, Jeff Chenoweth, Tadd Buechle, Dustin Wheeler and Jack Liddy.

Back row, left to right, Erin Radant, Sean Mulligan and Francis Shields.

Not pictured but receiving Advancement Level Certificates, Adam Nielsen, Kristina Weber, John Wharton, Heidi Heermann, Jim Liddy, Anna Ebert, Janet Ebert and Aimee Dusenberry.

Photo courtesy of Cooperative Extension Service in Cherry County.

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### 4-H Council Promoting Horse Curriculum

Eighteen 4-H Horse Project Members in Cherry County have made special efforts this year to advance their horsemanship skills. The Cherry County 4-H Council is promoting the sequential development that 4-H projects have to increase the interest, skills and knowledge gained from 4-H projects. This year, a new rule passed by the 4-H Council in Cherry County made the Horsemanship Advancement Level I mandatory for participation in the 4-H Horse Show at the Cherry County Fair.

Horsemanship Level I includes basic handling and riding demonstrations to a 4-H level examiner. Knowledge on feeding and equipment are also part of the exam. 4-Hers must then provide a presentation or talk to their 4-H club on any subject of Horsemanship.

Horsemanship Level II is mandatory for competition of 4-H events at a District or State Horse Show. 4-Hers must demonstrate their riding abilities, horse handling skills,

equipment knowledge, and learn to judge horses. In addition, written reports on feeding and major breeds must be submitted before acquiring a level two advancement level.

4-Hers work on the advancement levels at club meetings, clinics, and practice shows such as the Niobrara Horse Shows in order to pass examinations. Members are not judged against one another in the levels, but reach their own level of competency.

To date, 16 members have achieved Horsemanship Level I this year. They are Tadd Buechle, Jeff Chenoweth, Anna Ebert, Janet Ebert, Misti Jo Elliott, Matt Elliott, Jill Fleming, Heidi Heermann, Jack Liddy, Jim Liddy, Sean Mulligan, Erin Radant, Ryan Radant, Lois Sokol, John Wharton and Dustin Wheeler.

Completing Level II is Kristina Weber, Ryan Radant, Dustin Wheeler, Lois Sokol, Adam Nielsen, Janet Ebert, Aimee Dusenberry and Jeff Chenoweth.

## Horse Skill Day set Wednesday, May 25

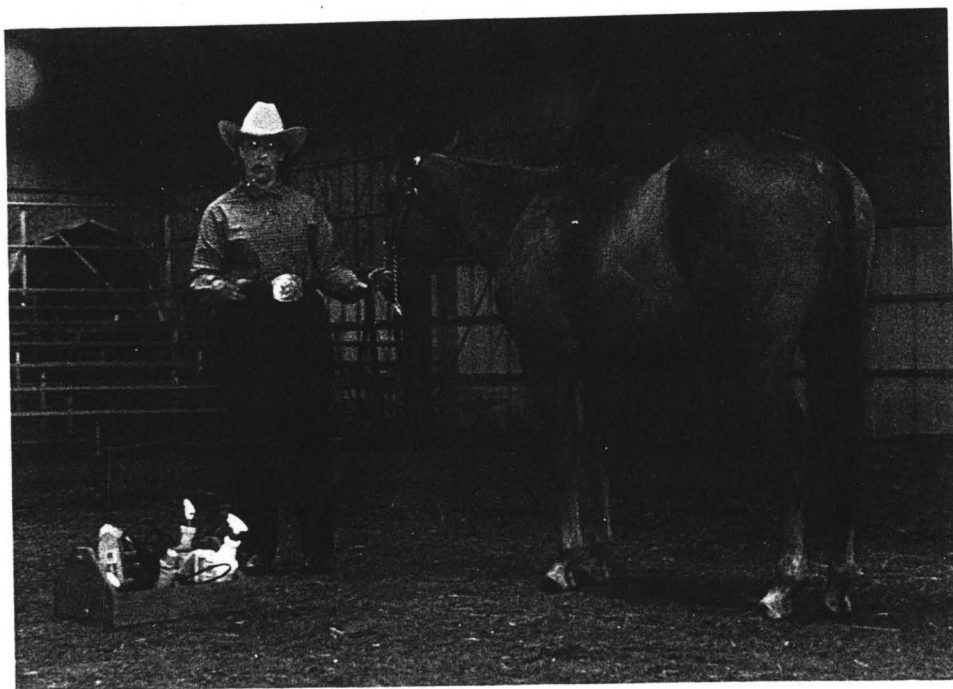
The Cherry County 4-H Council Horse Committee is sponsoring a Horse Skill Day for 4-H youth involved in the 4-H Horse Project. 4-H members and leaders will meet at the Cherry County Fairgrounds on Wednesday, May 25, at 1:00 p.m. CT.

The Skill Day is designed to encourage 4-H members to improve horsemanship skills by observing, improving and passing their horsemanship Advancement levels testing. The four advancement levels are progressive learnings designed to allow 4-H'ers to increase their knowledge as well as skill in Horse equipment, handling, training, nutrition, health care and showmanship.

Levels testing will be conducted by volunteer Horse Project Leaders and committee approved levels testers. Those 4-H'ers wishing to complete Levels 3 & 4 on Horse Skill Day are to be reminded to make special arrangements with advance notice to the Cherry County Extension Office.

### Other Horse Packet Materials Included

Niobrara Horse Show entries  
District Horse Show Schedules  
Nebr. Level III - Snaffle Bit  
W. Pleasure Class  
Nebr. Level III - Hack Hunter  
Horse Public Speaking Contest  
Horse Ind. & Team Demos  
Warren Scholarship Info  
Horse Audio-Visual listing  
4-H Horse Camp - Ft. Robinson



Connie Wharton, Cherry County Volunteer leader demonstrates grooming procedures for showing horses.



# CHERRY COUNTY HORSE PACKET

MAY 1988

Here is your 1988 horse packet! The packet includes all the information you need for the 1988 show season and information regarding the Cherry County 4-H Horse program. You will also find invitational shows, horse judging clinics and other "neat stuff"!!!

Mark your 4-H Family Calendar with these dates:

May 25 -	Horse Skill Day - Cherry County Fairgrounds 1:00 p.m.
May 27 -	4 p.m. CT - District Horse Show entries <u>deadline</u> in Extension Office (Note change!)
June 7 -	Pitzer's Horse Judging Clinic - Erickson - 9 a.m. CT
June 8 -	Huffman Ranch Judging Clinic - Whitman - 1 p.m. MT
June 9-10-11 -	Horse Camp at Ft. Robinson - Crawford
June 4 -	Niobrara Show - Valentine Classes start at 9 a.m. CT
June 11 -	Niobrara Show - Valentine Classes start at 9 a.m. CT
June 18 -	Niobrara Show - Valentine Classes start at 9 a.m. CT
June 27 -	District Horse Show - Gordon
July 11-14 -	State 4-H Horse Show - Grand Island
August 16 -	Cherry County Open Horse Show - Valentine
August 17 -	Cherry County 4-H Horse Show - Valentine
September 30 -	Record books due in Extension Office (with leader's signature)

## Cherry County Horse Identification Guidelines

Age: 4-H members must be 8 years old by January 1 and not pass their 20th birthday during the current year. Only 4-H members 12 years of age or older on January 1 will be certified for District, State or Interstate shows.

Ownership Requirements: 4-H Project horses may be:

1. solely owned by the 4-H exhibitor
- or 2. In partnership by the exhibitor or other members of his/her immediate family. Only the name of the showman can be on the show entry.
- or 3. A 4-H Horse exhibitor may also show an animal owned by someone outside the immediate family provided:
  - a. he or she manages (cares for, feeds, trains, grooms, etc.) and has use of the animal as a 4-H project animal at least 75% of the time during the project year and
  - b. permission for use of the animal is certified by the owner's affidavit on the 4-H member's ID sheet.



## 1988 Horse Shows and Events

This packet includes entry forms and information for the shows for each member of your family. Please contact the Extension Office if we unintentionally short you some forms Thank You.!

Exhibit Numbers - Your exhibitor numbers will be your Cherry County number you were assigned when you entered 4-H. Due to the cost of maintenance, laminating and replacements, the Cherry County Extension Office is requesting a \$1 deposit for your numbers. When you return the numbers at the end of the show, or end of the season at the 4-H County Fair Horse Show, you receive your deposit back.

4-H Horse Skill Day - This special day has been designed especially for Cherry County 4-H Horse members. The committees have set up some special events to help you attain the Advancement Levels before June 1.

See the enclosed flyer!

4-H Horse Camp - Ft. Robinson State Park will be held June 9, 10 and 11. Now that's a CAMP - one that you can take your best friend (your horse!) with you! Read the enclosed flyer which is crammed full of fun events and return the application to Don Huls, Dawes County Agent, by June 2.

Pitzer's Ranch Horse Judging Clinic - at Ericson, NE, begins at 9 a.m. on June 7th. 4-H members and leaders have had lots of fun going to this event, meeting old friends and making new friends. If interested in car-pooling, please call the Extension Office... or if you have room for 1 or 2 more!

Huffman Ranch Horse Judging Clinic - will begin at 8:30 a.m. MT on June 8. The Huffman Ranch is located 35 miles south of Merriman and 10 miles east. Meet lots of District competitors at this show!

Niobrara Horse Shows will be held in Valentine this year the first three Saturdays of June. The Niobrara Committee and 4-H Council - Horse Committee will be making extra efforts to help 4-H'ers with their Advancement Levels and judges comments. Entry sheets are enclosed and due 5 days before the show.

Please HELP! The June 18 show is in desperate need of a sponsoring club or helpers! Contact Mitzi Shelbourn if you can lend a hand! (We need YOU!).

STATE AND DISTRICT ENTRIES are enclosed and should be in the Cherry County Extension Office no later than 4 p.m. CT on May 27. Note change of calendar. When completing the form, use the County name and license number (66).

Do NOT fold the entry forms. They are read by a computer. Use either a pen or pencil to fill them out. Do NOT staple checks to the form. Make checks payable to: **NE 4-H Horse Fund.**

The District Show is June 27 at Gordon.

You must pass Level II Horsemanship test and be 12 years old by January 1, 1988, to enter the District Show. To enter the state roping classes you must pass Level III Horsemanship. Level III classes are being offered only at the State Show and are classes 21-30. See the enclosed copy of Level III Hunter Hack Class description and Level III 2 yr. old Snaffle Bit Western Pleasure Class description.



All entries must have the County Agent's signature and be in the office by 4 p.m. CT Friday - May 27. (No exceptions!)

Nebraska State 4-H HIPPOLOGY Contest -

Nebraska 4-H Members 12 & 13 years old

2 members per team and are scored as a team

Limit of 1 team per County.

Hippology Contest - Expected Test Procedure

	Approximately
1. Nebraska 4-H Horse Show & Judging Guide & General Knowledge	50 pts.
2. Equine Anatomy and Conformation	50
3. Horse Breeds and Colors	50
4. Feeds and Nutrition	50
5. Tack & Equipment - ID	50
6. Ropes & Knots - ID	10
7. Horse Aging	10
8. Equipment & Tack Use and Adjustment	20
9. Equine Restraints	20
10. Horse Judging - 2 halter, 2 performance + questions	250
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Approximately 560 pts.

Practice questions and samples are available at the Extension Office upon request.

(A great club activity to increase horsemanship knowledge.)

4-H Horse Bowl - Monday, July 11 & 12 - Grand Island

The objective of the Horse Bowl is to provide an opportunity for youth enrolled in 4-H Horse projects to demonstrate their knowledge of equine related subject matter in a competitive setting and an educational experience. Areas of emphasis are: nutrition, genetics, physiology, anatomy, history, breeds, showing procedures, disease, parasites, tack and equipment.

Must be 14 years or older by January 1

Teams consist of 4 contestants and an alternate.

Only 1 team per county.

Cherry County has had teams in the past and many resources exist for team formation and practice. Office has current rules.

Horse Public Speaking Contest - Grand Island - July 11.

Must be 14 years old or older by January 1

Subject pertains to horse industry or be horse related

No visual aids are allowed

Individuals and Team Demonstration Contests - Grand Island - July 11.

Must be 14 years old or older by January 1

Subject must pertain to the horse industry.

Individuals or team presentation/1 entry per county.

Live animals can be used at state, but not at National.

Announcers Applications for the State 4-H Horse Exposition are available in the Extension Office for more information.

Member or alumnus by one year.

2 applications per county

Selected on basis of application and interview.

Travel, meals and lodging reimbursed, no salary

SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarship entry forms are enclosed\* for those 4-H members whose age indicates their eligibility. If anyone else is interested again, contact the office.

\*R.B. Warren 4-H Educational Scholarship - \$200

Eligibility: Currently enrolled in Nebraska 4-H Program

Graduating senior in 1988

Not passed 19th birthday - January 1

Enrolling University of Nebraska - Lincoln

Institute of Agriculture & Natural Resources

Grand Island Saddle Club 4-H Horse Scholarship - (\$200 - \$500)

Eligibility: Currently enrolled in Nebraska 4-H Horse Program

Must attend University of Nebraska - Lincoln as a freshman in fall of 1988; majoring in Agriculture or closely related area.

National 4-H Scholarship Application form should be used and submitted to State 4-H Office by June 17, 1988.

Winner announced July 13 - Horse Expo.

I hope this packet helped you learn something new. As an Extension Home Economist, I feel like a duck...in a rodeo arena! But, if I can help in any other way, please don't hesitate to call.

"Making the best better"...with you!

*Lynda Radant*

Lynda Radant

Extension Agent - Chair



#### 4-H Horsemanship Advancement Levels

The Cherry County 4-H Council approved the Horse Committees additional (\*) recommendations at the April 19, 1988, Council meeting as follows:

\*All 4-H'ers will need to have passed some advancement levels for County Fair. Anyone may show a horse at halter but may not ride in an event until they have passed the appropriate level.

(Advancement Level Certificates are available for all four levels.)

- Level I - \*1. Required for all Junior (8-11 years of age on January 1) to be able to participate in all riding events for county Fair.  
2. Can be passed any time prior to Fair.  
\*3. 4-H Club leader can pass you on this level.
- Level II \*1. All Seniors (12-19 years of age as of January 1) will need to have passed Level II to participate in any riding event at County Fair or District shows.  
\*2. Required to a) show a yearling at halter;  
b) ride in the 2 year old Snaffle Bit Western Pleasure  
3. Must have passed Level I  
4. Horse club leaders should trade off testing chores with other horse club leaders.  
5. Arrangements for testing should be made by leaders.  
6. Visiting testing leaders should test members on items, 1, 2, (2-F discretionary), 3, 4 & 6. (Worksheet).  
7. Your own horse leader lists item 5 & 7. (Worksheet).  
8. In the interest of the visiting leaders time and energy, members should not attempt test "just for practice".
- Level III 1. Must be passed by June 1 to enter Level III qualifying show.  
2. Must have passed Level II.  
3. Judy Reece will test items 1, 2, 4, & 5.  
4. Harry Stokely will test items 3 & 6.  
5. Your own leader will test items 7 & 8 on the Level III Worksheet.  
6. Each item on the Level III Riding Test must be passed. If an applicant does NOT pass one or more items, then they may retake the test on a later day but must retake the ENTIRE Riding Test, not just the portion failed.  
7. Do not attempt test "just for practice".
- Level IV 1. Must be 14 years or older.  
2. Proficiency of the Level IV - Advanced Horseman skills are evidenced through previous years knowledge and skills gained as outlined in Level IV worksheet.  
3. Check with the Extension Office for qualified testers for this level.  
4. Incentive-Award of a \$50 Bond will be provided by Judy Reece of Cherry County for any 4-H'er achieving Horseman or Horsewoman Status.

REQUEST YOUR LEVEL I, II, III, IV WORKSHEETS FROM YOUR HORSE LEADER OR THE COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE.

EC 2-97-76	Worksheets for each level
F 2-97-77	Certificates for each level
F 2-98-76	Nebraska 4-H Horse Show and Judging Guide
	Horse Identification Certificate
	Parts of a Horse



# Cherry County Horse Skill Day

**May 25, 1988**

1:00 p.m. CT Registration  
Cherry County Fairgrounds

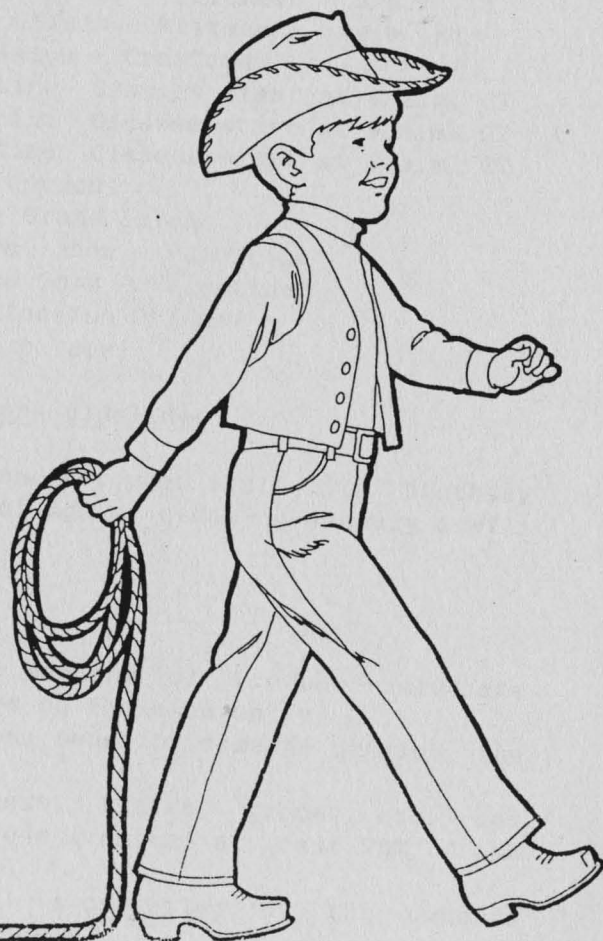
## Advancement Levels I & II

tests will be given from 1-3 Ct.

Worksheets for Levels I, II, III and IV Horsemanship are available from the Extension Office or from leaders.

All youth should have obtained the proper level worksheet and know what is expected of them on each level. Bring written reports and be prepared to pass the test. Horsemanship Advancement level certificates will be issued.

If anyone wants to take Level III at this time they must contact the Extension Office before May 25. Information on Feeds-Rations and Nutrition can be obtained from the Extension Office.



May 1988

# NIOBRARA 4-H HORSE SHOWS

PLEASE NOTE: EC 2-97-82 "Nebraska 4-H Horse Show & Judging Guide" will be used. This set of rules supplements that publication.

- A. ELIGIBILITY: Currently enrolled in the 4-H Horse Project. (Tiny Tot Pleasure excluded).
- B. IDENTIFICATION: Bring your I.D. papers with you to each show.
- C. COUNTY COMMITTEE: The County Committee will work with the Host Club Committee. The County Committee is composed of: Chairman, Greg Nielsen, Valentine; Secretary-Entry Secretary, Mrs. Jerry (Mitzi) Shelbourn, Valentine; Treasurer, Mrs. Rex (Evalyn) Adamson, Cody; and Bookkeeper, Mrs. Ken (Jackie) Wheeler, Wood Lake.
- D. ENTRY/WAIVER: The entry blank will have a waiver statement to **BE SIGNED BY THE PARENT** relieving the management of the show and any others of any liability in case of accident to 4-H members, their equipment or their horses. ALL ENTRIES FOR THE SHOWS ARE DUE AT LEAST FIVE (5) DAYS IN ADVANCE OF THE SHOW. ABSOLUTELY NO POST ENTIRES ACCEPTED. (Entry fee will be refunded if scratch is made three days prior to the respective show.)
1. Any one horse may be entered only once in any given class or division at the same show.
  2. Any one exhibitor may enter only once in any given class at the same show.
  3. There is no limit to number of different classes any one exhibitor can enter.
  4. No substitute showman or rider permitted.
  5. Keep your exhibitor number for entire season. Replace it yourself if lost.
  6. Return pins at the end of the last show.
- E. FEES: Each 4-H member entering a show must post a \$1 fee for each event entered. PAYMENT OF FEES MUST ACCOMPANY THE ENTRY BLANK.
- F. ADMINISTRATION OF SHOWS: Questions regarding conduct of the show should be referred immediately to the Host Club Superintendent. If necessary, he will confer with members of the Circuit Committee and give an on-the-spot decision that shall be accepted as final.
- The Show Judge will present a 10-15 minute demonstration on a horsemanship in his area of expertise. (time permitting)
- G. AWARD AND POINT SYSTEM: Ribbons and points will be given in each class at each show to the high placing six individuals in each class. Points will be given in each class at each show as follows: 6 points for 1st in class; 5 points for 2nd; 4 points for 3rd; 3 points for 4th; 2 points for 5th; and 1 point for 6th. If, in the event there are less than 6 entires in any class, the judge will decide where the entries will be placed and the committee will award ribbons and points accordingly.



All-Around Trophy will be given at the end of the season for each age division.

- a. Pre-Junior: 8, 9, 10 as of January 1 of current year  
Junior: 11, 12, 13 as of January 1 of current year  
Senior: 14 and over as of January 1 of current year.
- b. Total points for all shows will be used.
- c. Refer to current year's entry forms for classes.

Most Improved Horseman Award - Guidelines (Niobrara Shows)

- a. Winner to be the member with the largest point gain over the preceding year.
- b. Winner must have entered and competed in all Niobrara Shows for the current and preceding year.
- c. Halter points will NOT be counted.
- d. Award will be presented at the last show.
- e. Member may win this award one time only.

Sportsmanship Award is NOT part of the Niobrara Circuit.

Competitors may be observed at the Niobrara Shows but the decision and award will be made at the County Fair.

September 1988

### A Very Special Display

Strengthening Individuals, Families AND 4-H  
Through the Fifth H - Handicapped

As an outgrowth of efforts to help educate 4-H leaders and 4-H member and feel more comfortable including a handicapped potentially 4-H member, a special interest display was constructed at the Nebraska State Fair. The colorful display was strategically located in the area of the 4-H lunchstand where many volunteers and visitors take a few minutes to relax and regenerate.

The handout flyers available were one of the newest recruitment tools for members, leaders and families. Flyers were provided by the State 4-H Office.

More information is contained in Appendix following.



Two Cherry County 4-H'ers are inspecting the "Special" flyers at the 1988 Nebraska State Fair booth constructed by County Agent - Lynda Radant. The booth was located next to the popular 4-H foodstand area.

Lynda Radant  
Certified Home Economist  
Extension Agent Chair  
Cherry County



May 1986

### "Project Outreach"

My newest challenge is how to seek continued support and monies to carry out the ideas that always need some funds for paper, publicity, postage or supplies. Grant writing seems to be one possible solution. Hopefully, another project I am starting and presently using with current resources will be able to expand with additional funds.

"Project Outreach" started when I was employed as a remedial reading teacher in a high school. 1986 has brought national attention to reading literacy programs and educational opportunities for all people of all backgrounds. My personal interest has been reinforced by requests for materials in nutrition and child care for "low functioning" clientele from Social Service offices. Research during my Master's degree and an informal survey of leaders and County Extension Agents have shown a lack of resources for Nebraska 4-H leaders and County agents working with handicapped youth and adults.

The "ground" has just been barely scratched on my current project to "reach out to others" not currently using the services of the Cooperative Extension Service. My efforts at applying for grants is just beginning for "seed money". Hopefully, using the "tools" already available to me I'll be able to cooperatively garden with others and the fruits of this crop, well...just wait and see! I'm already gathering "bushel baskets" for other to share the benefits!

May 1987

### "SPECIAL KIDS IN 4-H" Inservice Presentation

When you really believe in a cause, you'll do anything to promote the effort. Including the fact of saying "yes" to providing an inservice session on Handicapped and Special Kids in 4-H. That's what we did last fall, but when the moment came closer, the other two volunteer agents and I began to panic. How could we be most effective? How could we convince 4-H volunteers to help include "special" 4-H'ers? Would we be able to hold the attention of the (hopefully) twenty people who might attend? Oh wow! Worry!

Our noon luncheon time arrived -- and so did the sixty-eight agents, assistants and specialists that ventured into our presentation! We captured their attention by imposing a handicap of blindness, learning disabilities, hearing or limb restriction with a collection of bandages, crutches, wheelchairs and mittens. The self-serve buffet luncheon became a REAL challenge. The opening of the luncheon began in sign language. Activities and lectures challenged the Extension personnel to use 4-H projects to capture special talents in 4-H'ers and allow them to work to their potential. Special tips and guidelines were provided and a table of resources were open for viewing.

At the end of the luncheon, participants shed their handicaps to be more aware of others handicaps and to learn a motto in sign language...

"TO MAKE THE BEST BETTER"

Extension Agent presentors were:

Lynda Radant - Cherry County  
Marshall Logan - Hold County  
Genevieve Remus - Pierce County

### A Sew-Sew Project Seams Great!

Five years ago, there seemed to be little hope that 4-H Clothing would ever become the most popular 4-H project in Cherry County. Clothing leaders were exasperated and frustrated with the beginning clothing project. Wrap skirts were too difficult for beginners, sundresses always hung uneven and the little seamstresses were bewildered. Nerves wrangled and kids shed tears. Two leaders even had a knock-down-drag-out over the 4-H Style Revue!

In waltzes the new Home Economics Agent! Naive and flabbergasted, it was enough to make a grown woman cower behind the first available bookbag!

After sizing up the whole situation, a committee of skilled mothers and a brave agent threw the beginning 4-H Sewing project out the window! Determined to teach sewing skills by developmental levels, the sewing skills were divided into three categories of progression. Short, easy skills developed into positive experiences of Cherry County's own Clothing project. The project was a forerunner to the state's new Sewing Is Fun project. Soon little seamstresses were smiling again - so were leader and parents.

Project numbers in the clothing units have increased by one third and so have styling participants. This years clothing members had a special skill day of beauty makeovers, a zany style show with dress up and narrations and hard work modeling sessions. "What's New in Clothing" is a subject matter sheet that keeps 4-H'ers updated on the latest clothing developments.

A highlight of summer was the 1988 Cherry County Fashion Revue that featured top-notch 4-H fashions with a fall fashion show from area businesses. The blend was perfect and spectator numbers were doubled! People remarked that "you couldn't tell the kids homemades from ready-mades"...the ultimate music for any 4-H style show!

A precious token from a Style Revue Chairperson

Lynda,

1-9-88

Few people realize all the time + effort that you, as a Home Agent, put into the many 4-H activities. I just want to thank you for all of your input + support of the "unusual" ideas we came up with for the Style Revue! I appreciate all the "behind the scenes" organization + work you provided.

Thanks, too, for the pretty flowers. What a thoughtful gift! ☺

Sincerely,  
Marilyn

Lynda Radant  
Certified Home Economist  
Cherry County '8-88

7-27-88



4-H Clothing projects show a progression of learning skills with (left to right) Leah Boeckenhauer holding her tote bag and wrist wallet, Taunya Hill decorated a teddy bear T-shirt, Janet Ebert improved her needle skills with a counted cross-stitch picture, Kandi Young created a jumpsuit, Katie Ann Joseph her beginners dirndl and Leanna Vaughn her tailored skirt and blouse. Results of the 4-H Style Revue will be in next week's paper.

Photo courtesy of Cherry County Extension Service.

Some children and older youth have special interests and talents. Sometimes finding information on a subject or topic is the hardest part of allowing young people to develop their skills, but not when connected with the world's largest global youth project. 4-H now serves two hundred youth in Cherry County alone!

Projects and interest areas can range from the study of bugs to space craft, food or fashions to commodity marketing. Over 125 projects in 4-H have printed education manuals for youth as well as adults who like to learn with youth.

Cherry County has 4-H'ers who have been extremely busy within the clothing and textiles area the last few weeks. The 4-H'ers have been busy learning the fundamentals of clothing construction along with the ability to read and follow directions, hand and eye coordination, design principles and elements and poise at interviewing with a judge and modeling fashions they are extremely proud of.

The University of Nebraska Clothing Specialist for the Cooperative Extension Service and a team of specialized agents wrote new manuals and guidelines to help 4-H'ers learn to

apply their skills to futures in fashion design or merchandising, textile sciences, good consumer practices and hobby skills for creative expression. Each developmental phase of sewing skills is a series of progressional learnings. The new projects require a mastery level of skills before advancing to a more challenging learning experience. Many adults use the program to teach themselves to sew.

4-H'ers in Nebraska can learn the basics by learning to use the first project entitled "Sewing for Fun". After achieving basic mastery, 4-H'ers then can sew for the home, their horse, or create fashions for themselves. The projects emphasize the 4-H experience to learn while doing.

The Cherry County Cooperative Extension Service is a subdivision of the University of Nebraska that extends research and teaching out to the public. County services are provided by University staff with specialized Master's degrees unique to the local area. The Cooperative Extension Service offers educational programs to all people. Call the Cherry County Extension Service at 376-1850 in Valentine for more information on all programs and services.





Beauty make-overs were popular at the Skill Day. Beautician Clarine Balliet is demonstrating on Renee Poe, center with Brook Brown and other 4-H'ers looking on. Photo courtesy of Cooperative Extension Service in Cherry County.

## Home Economics Skill Day has over forty participants

Beauty make-overs, a zany style show, and crazy demonstrations were a part of the 4-H Home Economics Skill Day. Thirty-four 4-H members and friends and a dozen parents and leaders participated in a planned for hilarity style show with mock-Paris fashion creations.

All youth participated in extemporaneous speaking on items found in brown bags. Topics ranged from peeling potatoes to making simple toys. Composure, confidence, speaking skills and fun were gained from the experience.

Skin care and the latest in summer hair styles and hair care were featured in make-overs. The activities left both boys and girls with good grooming skills and new ideas for fashionable summer hairstyles.

The 1987 Home Economics Judging Team for the Nebraska State Fair told of their experiences, skills and fun gained through their participation. Becky Nielsen, Keri Young, Brook and Ashley Brown, Gwyn and Leanna Vaughn, members of last year's team then did an example of a team judging situation. 4-H'ers were encouraged to attend the Cherry County Home Economics Contest July 25th for the State Fair Team tryouts.

Gwyn Vaughn, Cherry County 4-H member that won first place in the 1987 State Fair Home Economics Contest, explained to the skill day participants her recognition by the Nebraska Home Economists Association of a silver tray and upcoming trip to Minneapolis. 4-H'ers were able to practice judge a Home Economics division.

The 4-H program is an educational outreach program of the University of Nebraska and U.S. Department of Agriculture and is available to all youth between the ages of 9 to 19. For more information on the 4-H program, contact the Cherry County Extension Office at 110 West Fourth Street or 376-1850.



# Home Economics Skill Day

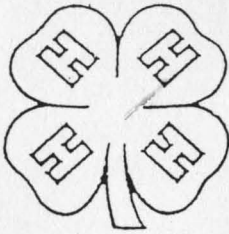
July 7, 1988

Valentine Rural High School

9:45 CT	Registration
10:00	Uniquely You
10:15	"Celebrate with Fashion" - 1988 (A <u>special</u> modeling practice for boys <u>and</u> girls)
11:00	Micro-Magic Break
11:10	Decisions, decisions, decisions! by 1987 State Fair Home Economics Team
12:00	Brown Bag Luncheon (Bring your own sack lunch - drinks provided)
12:30	It's in the Bag! (surprise!)
1:30	Fashion Make-Overs
2:30	...Till we meet again!

Pre-registration would be greatly appreciated.  
Call the Extension Office at 376-1850. Thanks!

# What's New



## Clothing & Textiles

CHERRY COUNTY

MARCH 1988

Dear Clothing Leaders:

Spring IS around the corner...some days that's easier to believe than others! But Spring does bring ideas of sewing new fashions and getting ready for 4-H Clothing projects.

Enclosed in this newsletter is several items that I hope you will find interesting and of help to your 4-H'ers.

\*\*\*\*\*Please show and share this information with your 4-H members. Copies of this material will be available for them if they ask for a copy from the Extension Office.\*\*\*\*\*

S.O.S. (Samples of Sewing) - This collection of tips and highlights will provide answers and guidelines to questions and comments Clothing Judges have made at our interview judging.

Kid Sew Patterns - I am sharing information on the "patterns designed with sewing lessons". These highly fashionable patterns have good "kid appeal" - both sexes! I have NOT tried these yet but will be happy to share a peek at them when mine arrive.

Evaluation of "Sewing for Fun" Projects - Some simple scoresheets for the new projects have been included. Barb Reed, Kathy Boeckenhauer, and I received these tips at the Clothing Training in Ainsworth. Have fun at a club meeting with "Role Playing". Let your 4-H'ers take turns being the interview judge and constructively critique each others projects.

Judges Training - A District 4-H Judges training will be held June 1, 1988. The areas of Clothing and Foods will be emphasized. If you are interested in updating your skills or learning to become a judge let us know and we will put your name on the list.

Skill Day - Dates aren't set yet for Skill Day but do tell your 4-H members we have some exciting things planned for them! Plans are shaping up to have some possible Make-Overs, Styling, Needle Arts/Crafts, and MORE! Watch for late May - early June dates in the Cherry PIT!

Clothing and Style Review Day - July 25, 1988 - V.R.H.S.

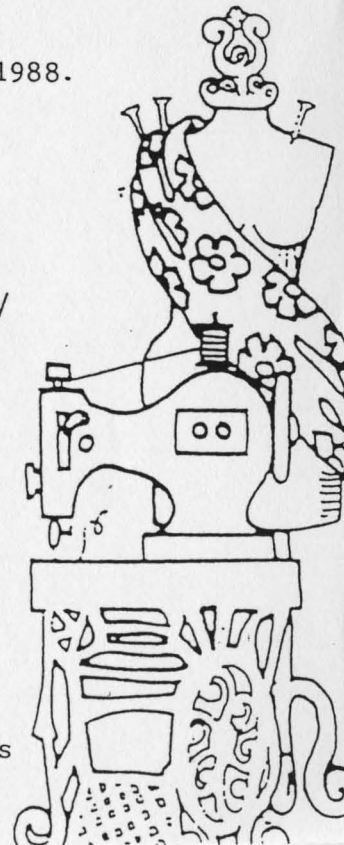
Remember - "A stitch in time..." saves last minute sewing for "4-H panic"!

Keeping you in stitches,

*Lynda Radant*

Lynda Radant

Extension Agent - Home Economics



Program Title: 4-H Adventures in Sewing

Clientele Objectives: As a result of a new 4-H Beginning Clothing project, 4-H members will participate in a developmentally sequenced series of sewing activities more suitable to interest and ability levels of each child. 4-H members will gain more positive reinforcement through a variety of uni-sex sewing projects.

Support will be garnered through public programs (1985) of "Color Analysis" and the "Busy Woman's Sewing Seminar" and (1986) "Sewing for the Home!"

Audience: 4-H members and youths, 4-H leaders and local seamstresses and general public.

Methods Used: A committee of 4-H Clothing project leaders, mothers, Community seamstresses, fabric store owners and a retired Extension agent provided ideas and recommended activities for a Cherry County pilot project - "Adventures in Sewing." Various projects were collected and written into a 'task analysis' format for beginning 4-H seamstresses and leaders/mothers. Leader feedback was crucial to the rewriting and editing of the three developmental level projects written by Lynda Radant.

Support was gained by leader interaction and involvement, and a flyer in the 4-H Newsletter, The 'Cherry Pit' called, "What's New...Clothing and Textiles." Club leader training in Color Analysis and a sewing seminar explaining sewing shortcuts, products, demonstrations and resources were presented.

Results: As a result of the efforts to improve the beginning 4-H sewing projects in Cherry County, participation has grown while surrounding counties have diminished.

Enrollment and clothing statistics for Cherry County show evident growth.

	Beg. Sewing Enrollment	Beg. Sewing Entries	Total Clothing Entries
Adventures in Clothing - 1984	17	23	54
Adventures in Sewing - 1985	25	50	74
Adventures in Sewing - 1986	34	51	84

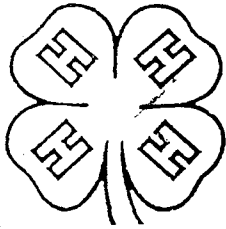
Futures: The 4-H Cherry County Fair premium book has been revised to cover more aspects of clothing/sewing abilities and interests such as: Needle arts and Clothes Horse while encouraging clothing decoration, consumerism and sewing projects for the home.

Supportive Materials:

"What's New...4-H Clothing and Textiles"  
"Adventures in Sewing" - Unit I  
Unit II  
Unit III

Footnote: Cherry County will have an easy transition to the State Sewing project introduced this fall due to project similarity.

# What's New



## Clothing & Textiles

### 4-H Sewing Curriculum

Adventures in Sewing I, II, III  
(Cherry County Project at present time)

#### Clothing

Clothing Magic I, II, III

↓  
Fashion Fair

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Clothing Unlimited

#### Sewing

\*For the Home

\*Toys and Animals  
For Your Horse  
Project  
(Clothes Horse)

\*For Your Sheep Project

#### Fiber Arts

Knitting I  
Knitting II

Crocheting I  
Crocheting II

Needle Arts

#### Consumer Educ.

Teens Shopping Smart I

\*Teens Shopping Smart II

#### Career

\*Learn to Earn

\*PROJECTS NOT AVAILABLE IN CHERRY COUNTY YET.

The new directions in the Clothing division is to start all sewing in a basic project such as Cherry County's Adventures in Sewing. After that, members can branch out into different areas that build sewing skills - for clothing and non-clothing items, creative arts skills and shopping skills.

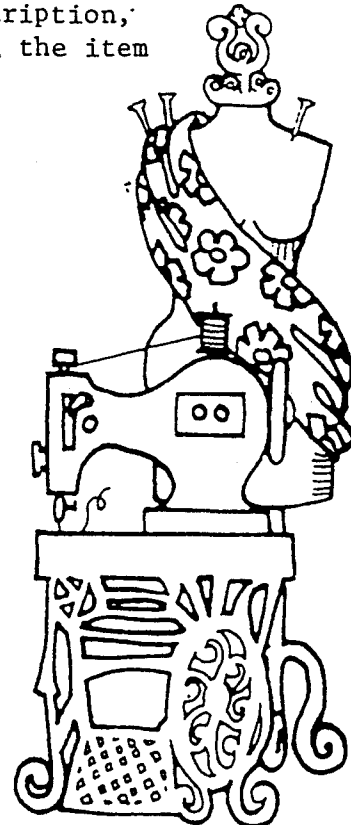
### "New Learnings" Cards

At the suggestions of our clothing judges for the past two years, a 4-H clothing entry will be entered with a 3 x 5 index card with project name, brief item description, exhibitor's number and state three new things the 4-H'er learned by making the item or garment. An example follows:

Adventures in Sewing - Unit 3  
Yellow Duffle Bag

#1000

1. Centered zipper application
2. Sewing a circle and curves on the ends of the bag.
3. Placement and stitching on webbing for straps.





## Agent's Frustration Becomes 4-Her's Dream

I'm a professional 4-H'er. I loved the 4-H program in my youth and valued all my experiences so much, I've made it a career and personal goal to help others grow from the 4-H experiences, too. That's why I have the frustration of seeing teenage 4-H'ers get so close to some experiences of a lifetime and drop out.

Last year I made a commitment to review the 4-H Congress in Chicago as an Agent chaperon (selected by my peers in N.C.E.A.). My intent was to interview state and national 4-H delegates and find out what they did to set their programs apart from other 4-H'ers. My suspicions were confirmed: perseverance and uniqueness to their "own ways" of learning.

Another suspicion was confirmed also. We have more than several 4-H'ers in our county that have done the same outstanding things or beyond, yet some 4-H'ers were collecting \$1500 scholarships! The secret was in filling out the paperwork.

Like a coach, first you have to get the players interested in even trying to play the game! My enthusiasm for the Chicago trip (a second time - twenty years apart) will always be sacred!

Learning the record book system on the District level provided a learning experience for this agent and two volunteer leaders. The process was interesting and our enthusiasm encouraging in sharing experiences and ideas for Cherry County.

Next, you have to understand the mechanics or basics. Some of our own County awards and incentives didn't have clear cut criteria or definitions. 4-H Council committees were asked to define the incentives within their committee areas. These were then added to a listing within a County written Incentives and Awards booklet, covered with pictures of the County medals.

The criteria and directions for application must be defined. Basic directions, suggestions and hints were printed as well as a scoresheet adopted by the Cherry County 4-H Council. A flowchart of record progressions through county, district, state and to national was diagrammed for those liking 'pictures' of progression.

After a listing of all awards and donors, entry sheets and other special application forms were attached. A brief listing of available audio-visuals was provided for parents and leaders. Group or club incentives were also listed.

The game plan was set, the coach was ready, but the players were reluctant. First step was to get the basic project records turned in. The 4-H Council backed our request to have 4-H'ers turn all record books in voluntarily. Awards booklets came in, in a slight increase in numbers, but more importantly, new names for the game plan.

The Cherry County 4-H Council has an excellent recognition system with plenty of opportunity to win plaques, trophies, buckles or other incentives. At the end of a year, instead of one king and queen, ten 4-H'ers are chosen as semi-finalists for the five Top Achiever Awards of satin 4-H Achiever jackets or fifty dollar bonds. The target need is publicity and visibility to the awards program.

Special efforts were made at the Cherry County Fair to display trophy plaques and acknowledge contest winners. A special display of County award medals was mounted on a green velvet-type background and displayed at 4-H Achievement Night.

During the Achievement Night dance, one small nine-year old boy was seen visually devouring the display. When I asked him which one he was going to try to win first, he quickly replied, "first this one, then this one and then this one and..."

...I think we're headed down the right track!

Lynda Radant, Certified Home Economist  
Cherry County Agent - Chair



# CHERRY COUNTY 4-H

## INCENTIVES & AWARDS PROGRAM



Extension work in "Agriculture, Home Economics and subjects relating thereto," The Cooperative Extension Service, Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Cooperating with the Counties and the U.S. Department of Agriculture  
Leo E. Lucas, Director

## Cherry County Incentives Program

Dear 4-H'er, Leader and Parent,

In 1988, the 4-H Council's - Awards and Incentives Committee and the Cherry County Extension Agents recognized the need to compile a listing of awards/incentives and recognition. Not everyone is in need of the same form of recognition that may come from filling out record books, or receiving trophies or prizes. Some may only need a few words of praise or a pat on the back. This booklet is designed as an awareness tool of what is or can be made available.

One of the most important aspects of any form of praise or reward is in the THANK YOU's provided back to our many donors, sponsors and volunteers! Without them, the world's largest youth organization would not be what it is today! Don't forget to say THANKS!

This booklet is an attempt to make the Cherry County 4-H Incentives and Awards more visible. In turn, our 4-H youth programs will help develop Cherry County youth.

### Awards & Incentives Committee:

Carolyn Schneider  
Carol Wobig  
Rita Schneider

Keri Young, Jr. Leader

### Helping YOU "Make the Best Better",

*Lynda*

Lynda Radant, C.H.E.  
Cherry County

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### Cherry County 4-H

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Additional Resource upon request: Volunteer Handbook on Nebraska 4-H Incentives Program

#### Audio-Visuals for Awards/Incentives

Record Keeping - A Life Skill (40-VC-19)

Scholarships Through 4-H (40-VC-190)

\*also: more information on available scholarships  
for 4-H Seniors is available from the Extension  
Office - Awards Handbook, upon request.



## CHERRY COUNTY RECORD BOOK DIRECTIONS

The 4-H application is an organized presentation of what has been learned and accomplished in 4-H. When accurately and carefully assembled, it is a useful tool for determining progress and personal growth. Careful planning and recording of facts and the selection of only the most important information is essential to preparing a neat, complete and organized application.

This procedure is used for the majority of areas where incentives are available. Exceptions to the district and/or state process are listed on page 13, "Opportunities Requiring Special Handling".

The following materials are required in the district 4-H application, and should be assembled in the order listed. Include all materials in one application book, even if applying for incentives in more than one area. Note the disqualification criteria on page 12.

### 1. COVER

Use a standard Acco-type fastener in a stiff 8 1/2 x 11 inch binder. Do not use a loose-leaf ring binder.

### 2. 4-H ENTRY SHEET: FORM 2-88 -- see appendix

Indicate program areas included in the District 4-H Application. Be sure to include all application materials for each area marked. Be sure to complete the signature section. Signatures certify eligibility for the area of application.

### 3. GLOSSARY (optional)

List explaining various terms, events, abbreviations, etc. May also include the key indicating symbols marking items for the program areas (see explanation in item #4).

### 4. BUILDING YOUR 4-H RECORD 4-H F-41 or 4-H F-52

"Building Your 4-H Record" is a composite of all projects/activities participated in throughout the individual's 4-H career. Items referring to the area of application should be clearly marked on the form in pencil in the right-hand margin (where possible) with a symbol (asterisk, plus sign, circle, square, check mark, etc.). If applying in more than one area, different symbols should be used for each area. A key indicating the area and symbol used should be written on the front page or a separate glossary page. By using pencil to indicate the items, the area of application may be easily changed in future years.

"Building Your 4-H Record" does not need to be typed. Additional pages may be added to the form as indicated. Individuals may use computer word processing equipment to facilitate record keeping. Information should be printed in the same format as the various sections in "Building Your 4-H Record". However, the information does not have to be printed onto the actual form. Type size should be no smaller than 12 characters per inch.

### 5. THE 4-H (project) STORY

The 4-H (project) Story is an essay of 4-H experiences in a specific project area. It should emphasize personal growth and development, leadership and community service experiences in the selected project/activity. The annual 4-H stories written as a part of "Building Your 4-H Record" should be used to help compose the project story. Do not include the annual stories in the district application.

Separate 4-H stories must be included for each program area. Six pages maximum per story. Stories DO NOT have to be six pages in length, but can be no more than six.

Applications for various activities must include an additional story for each activity, such as "My 4-H Junior Leader Story." The story must be related to a specific area or event, not just a general story about 4-H involvement.

Exception: If applying in related areas, one project story is sufficient.

Example: If applying in Leadership, National Conferences, and/or in the Junior Leadership areas, one 4-H Leadership Story is sufficient.

The 4-H (project) Story may be hand-written or typed (double-spaced) on one side of 8 1/2 x 11 inch paper. There should be a 1 1/2 inch margin at the top and left side, with a 1-inch margin on the right and bottom. If stories are typed, do not use type smaller than twelve (12) spaces per inch. Condensed print (such as 18 or 22 spaces per inch) or photocopy reductions are too hard for the selection committee to read.

Stories should be written in "first person". Gimmicks, such as a pet calf telling the story, or other "cutesy" themes should be avoided. While such a story may catch the attention of a selection committee, it is often difficult to follow--detracting from the content instead of helping. **BE SURE to check for spelling, grammar, punctuation and typographical errors.**

The following outline may help in developing the story; however, do not identify these parts in your story.

Part 1 Introduction of 4-H'er

Include: age; interests; parents and family, members; place of residence; school; when and why active in 4-H.

Part 2 Project/activity information

Why it was chosen; what was learned that was not known before; how it has increased in scope; what things have been tried and found to be successful or not so successful; how was financing arranged, indicate profits, losses or savings.

Part 3 Highlight other 4-H projects and activities

Participation in other projects and activities; what have been major learning experiences; indicate special interests and unusual situations encountered.

Part 4 Describe 4-H influence on leadership/citizenship

Most important offices held; committee assignments accepted; what has been learned from working with others; how 4-H increased interest and participation in community affairs; what was learned from team efforts.

Part 5 Describe 4-H influence

Self-confidence, school/career goals and use of leisure time, future career/project plans.

OTHER HINTS:

Include facts to make a story newsworthy or different from the "average". Show how knowledge gained has been shared through demonstrations, exhibits, etc., or by helping others such as the elderly, handicapped or as a junior leader.

Key words help describe experiences, such as: responsible, patient, affectionate, determined, thoughtful, friendly, honest, creative, loyal, optimistic, poise, efficient, persistence, empathetic, self-worth, humble, kind, daring, courageous, proud, secure, encourage, considerate, flexible, helpful, imaginative, kindness, mature, polite, realistic, lovable, grateful, patriotic.



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#### 6. PROJECT OR ACTIVITY PHOTOGRAPHS

Photographs may be used to illustrate the highlights of the project/activity. Photographs depicting special practices followed, year-to-year progress, or leadership activities provide excellent documentation of growth in a project. They may also include honors and recognition received.

Pictures should be securely mounted on 8 1/2 x 11 inch paper, one side only with a brief caption explaining the picture. Three page maximum per application. (NOT 3 pages per area.)

Exception: Photography applicants may include up to ten additional 8 1/2 x 11 inch pages of selected pictures taken in the 4-H Photography project or activity. Slides are not recommended, since equipment for viewing them is not provided to selection committees. One or two exceptional photographs will be more effective than several pages of slides. (If slides are submitted, plastic pages designed for slide storage may be used.)

DO NOT write on front or back of photo.

DO NOT shingle pictures (where one photo must be lifted to see another).

DO NOT include news clippings or photographs taken from newspapers, magazines, etc.

#### 7. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC SPEAKING

Public Speaking requires a copy of a speech given during the current year. The speech may be on any topic, given at any event, presented during the current year. While most speeches are given from outlines or notes, the selection committee has only the complete written speech on which to evaluate skills mastered.

8. RECORD BOOKS: (For County Only) include the record books for awards application area only. Include only 3 years records (maximum) that best exemplify the project accomplishments.

#### DISQUALIFICATION CRITERIA FOR THE DISTRICT 4-H APPLICATION

The District 4-H Selection Committee will not review 4-H applications submitted by counties for district consideration if:

1. 4-H Entry Sheet (FORM 2-88) with signatures of member, parent, leader and agent is not included.
2. The 4-H story exceeds six pages per project/activity area or if a general 4-H story is used rather than relating the story to the specific project/activity.
3. Project/activity photographs exceed a total of three pages. Exception: Photography applications may include up to ten additional pages of project related photographs (for a total of thirteen).
4. Additional materials not requested are included in application, such as news articles, letters, etc.
5. Public Speaking applications do not contain a copy of a speech given during the year.
6. Plastic sheets are used on pages (includes pages with pictures). Pages are too hard to read.

Area \_\_\_\_\_

Cherry County  
Record Book Judging Sheet

	Excellent	Satisfactory	Fair	Needs Improvement
I. Cover				
Neat, legible				
II. 4-H Entry Sheet				
Signatures complete				
Areas clearly marked				
(III.) Glossary (optional)				
clear terms, abbreviations				
key symbols clear				
IV. "Building Your Record"				
projects up to date				
financial explanations clear				
V. Story				
-1 per application/specific				
-shows growth & development				
in project				
-explains total project scope				
-highlights 4-H activities				
-4-H influence of leadership				
-4-H experiences in citizenship				
and Community Service				
-does <u>not</u> exceed 6 pages				
-neatly prepared				
-correct spelling				
-correct grammar and				
punctuation				
VI. Project Photographs and Supportive				
Materials				
-correct number				
-shows growth and scope				
VII. Record Books				

VIII. General Comments:



## Helpful Hints for Awards

When selecting a project area for awards, the judges will consider your total picture of project involvement, not just exhibits in county competition. The scorecard for evaluating your record book looks like this:

### Guidelines for Evaluating 4-H Incentives Applications

Experiences in 4-H projects and activities	50%
Size and Scope: Main project (15) Other projects (5)	
Learning Experiences: Main project (15) Other projects (5)	
Knowledge and Skills: Main project (8) Other projects (2)	
Experiences in 4-H Leadership	25%
Volunteer Leadership: Main project (12) Other leadership (8)	
Elected/Appointed Leadership (3)	
Promotion Leadership (2)	
Experiences in 4-H Citizenship and Community Services	25%
Citizenship in Main Project (10)	
Other Citizenship Activities (10)	
Non-4-H Experience (5)	
TOTAL	100%

### Score Card for: CITIZENSHIP, LEADERSHIP, NATIONAL CONFERENCES, INVITATIONAL EVENTS

Citizenship		Leadership, National Conferences, Invitational Events	
Citizenship Activities	(50)	Leadership Activities	(50)
Leadership Activities	(25)	Citizenship Activities	(25)
Other Project Activities	(25)	Other Project Activities	(25)

At the district/state/national levels, the above score card will be used. It is of great importance that 4-H youth not only learn new skills, but share what was learned. As a youngster grows, so should the involvement experiences in their leadership and citizenship/community service areas grow. Therefore, a 4-H youth who serves as project leader at a club with an average achievement at fairs and shows may be ranked above the 4-H youth who receives all purples at the fairs, but does little or nothing in the leadership and citizenship/community service areas.

Double check: financial records for accuracy and completeness; punctuation and spelling, leadership activities and NEATNESS!

### The Total Picture

Some award incentives take a look at the total picture of the project scope. It includes projects that help compliment the interest area by including all angles of the project. Some of the projects may afford a new perspective on interest areas and career opportunities. The following ideas may help you round out your 4-H career/interest areas and awards applications:

ACHIEVEMENT: Total scope and growth through entire 4-H career

AG ACHIEVEMENT: Beef, Commodity Marketing, Dairy, Gardening, Horse, Plant & Soil Science, Sheep, Swine, Goat, Poultry Embryology, Rabbits, Vet Sci I, II, III, Animal Nutrition, Meat Science, some Electric and Petroleum Power projects

BEEF: Market Beef, Breeding Beef, Feeder Calf, and \*Adopt-A-Calf (Meats)

BREAD (DAIRY FOODS and FOODS/NUTRITION): Food Preservation, Learn to Bake, Breakfasts, Lunches, Dinners, DietCheck, Exploring Foods, Cultural, Microwave, Outdoor Cooking, Cakes, Pies, Fit It All Together, Other

CITIZENSHIP: Jr. Leader I, II, Government, Citizenship-Washington Focus trip, Community Pride, Emergency, Leadership, Club Officer, County - International Exchanges

CLOTHING: All Clothing projects, Knitting, Crocheting, Decorate Your Duds, Teens Shopping Smart, Y.E.S. and Personal Development Projects

COMPANION ANIMALS: All small animal projects including cat, dog, gerbils, etc. and tropical fish

CONSERVATION: Entomology, Forestry, Wildlife, Soils and Water, Range, Conservation, Storms and Outdoor Education including Shooting Sports

FORESTRY: Trees, Plants, Forestry A, B and Woodworking

GARDEN: Gardening I & II, Profit, Flowers I & II & III, Strawberries, some Lawn Care and Entomology

HEALTH: Health Record, Risk, Life, Careers, Bacteria, Drink, Alcohol, Cigarette, First Aid, Sports and Shooting Sports

PETROLEUM POWER: Motorcycles, Engines I, II, Lawn, Tractor I & II & III & IV, Hazardous and Energy projects

PHOTOGRAPHY: Camera, Photo I, II, Darkroom, Movie, Slides, Advance and participation in graphic arts of poster, etc.

PLANT and SOIL SCIENCE: Green Community, Know Plants, Crop, Weeds, Other, Wheat to Bread (School Enrichment - Cherry)

VETERINARY SCIENCE: Vet I, II & III, Poultry, Zoo

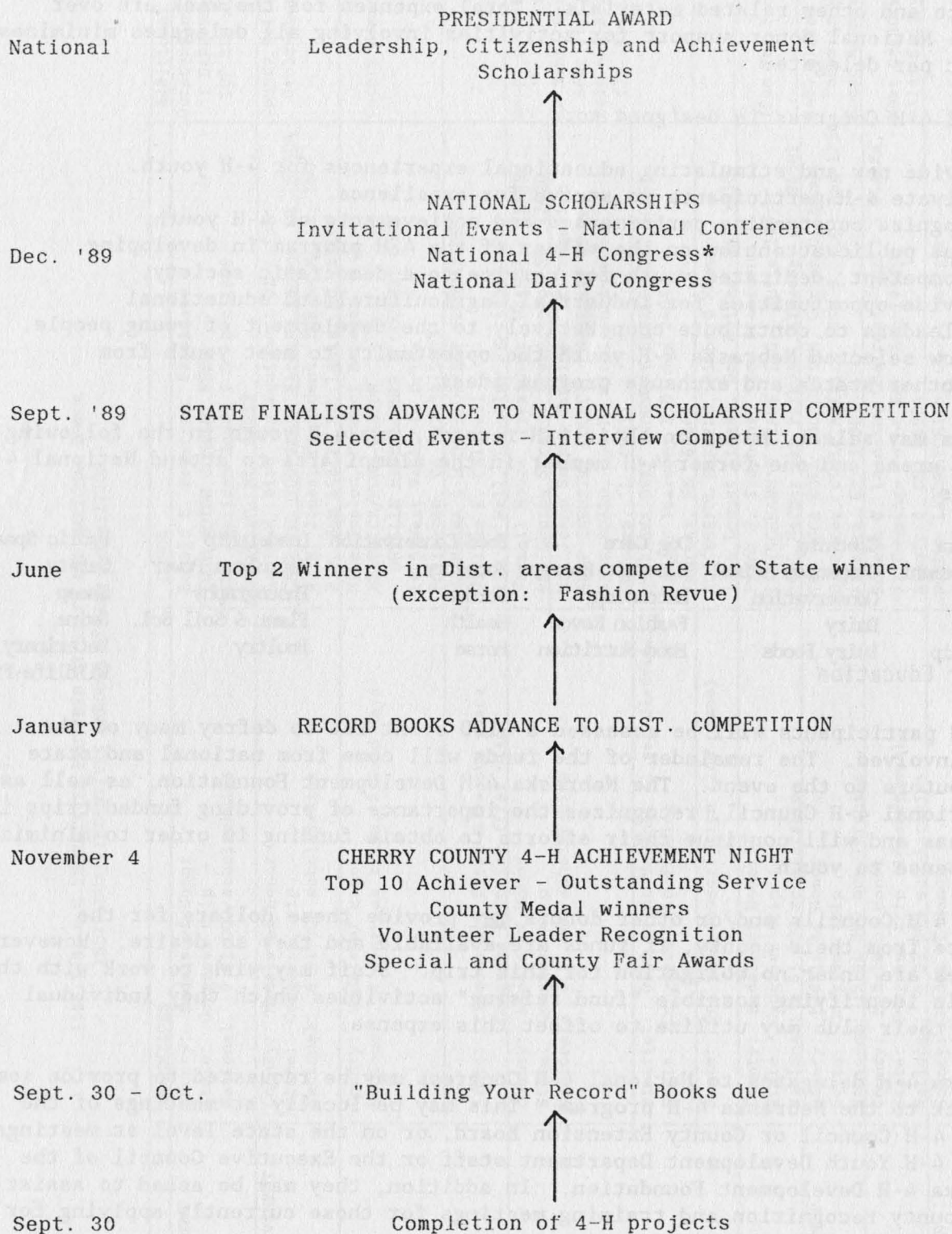
WILDLIFE & FISHERIES: Beginning Conservation, Bird, Home Wildlife and Fishing

(These are only suggestions.)



## Cherry County

## 4-H Incentives Program



## NATIONAL 4-H CONGRESS

National 4-H Congress provides recognition to 4-H youth for their outstanding performances and achievements in 35-40 4-H programs and activities. The December week-long event is conducted by the National 4-H Council and United States Department of Agriculture-Extension Service, with support from national and state donors. State expenses for the event, held in Chicago, Illinois, is \$550 per delegate including bus transportation, lodging, meals, registration fees, insurance and other related materials. Total expenses for the week are over \$1,700. National donor support for activities involving all delegates minimizes the cost per delegate.

National 4-H Congress is designed to:

1. Provide new and stimulating educational experiences for 4-H youth.
2. Motivate 4-H participants to strive for excellence.
3. Recognize outstanding performances and achievements of 4-H youth.
4. Focus public attention on the values of the 4-H program in developing competent, dedicated youth for service to a democratic society.
5. Provide opportunities for industrial, agricultural and educational leaders to contribute cooperatively to the development of young people.
6. Allow selected Nebraska 4-H youth the opportunity to meet youth from other states and exchange program ideas.

Nebraska may select, based on their 4-H records, one 4-H youth in the following program areas and one former 4-H member in the alumni area to attend National 4-H Congress:

Achievement	Clothing	Dog Care	Food Conservation	Leadership	Public Speaking
Ag Achievement	Companion Animal	Electric Energy	Forestry	Petroleum Power	Safety
Beef	Conservation	Entomology	Garden	Photography	Sheep
Bread	Dairy	Fashion Revue	Health	Plant & Soil Sci.	Swine
Citizenship	Dairy Foods	Food-Nutrition	Horse	Poultry	Veterinary Sci.
Consumer Education					Wildlife-Fisheries

All 4-H participants will be assessed a \$100 event fee to defray many of the costs involved. The remainder of the funds will come from national and state contributors to the event. The Nebraska 4-H Development Foundation, as well as the National 4-H Council, recognizes the importance of providing funded trips in all areas and will continue their efforts to obtain funding in order to minimize the expense to youth.

County 4-H Councils and/or other donors may provide these dollars for the delegate from their county, if funds are available and they so desire. However, counties are under no obligation for this trip. Staff may wish to work with the youth in identifying possible "fund raising" activities which they individual and/or their club may utilize to offset this expense.

Nebraska 4-H delegates to National 4-H Congress may be requested to provide some feedback to the Nebraska 4-H program. This may be locally at meetings of the County 4-H Council or County Extension Board, or on the state level at meetings of the 4-H Youth Development Department staff or the Executive Council of the Nebraska 4-H Development Foundation. In addition, they may be asked to assist with county recognition and training meetings for those currently applying for incentives.



1988-1989 4-H INCENTIVES PROVIDED BY STATE AND NATIONAL DONOR  
INDIVIDUAL INCENTIVES THROUGH RECORD COMPETITION

PROGRAM	INCENTIVES	DONOR	Additional County Incentives
ACHIEVEMENT	County: Medals of Honor State: Congress trip National: 9 \$1,000 scholarships	Donald E. Petersen, President FORD MOTOR COMPANY FUND The American Road, P.O. Box 1899 Dearborn, MI 48212	Outstanding Achiever Award - "I DARE YOU" AWARD - TOP TEN ACHIEVERS - Cherry County 4-H Council
AG ACHIEVEMENT	County: Medals of Honor State: Congress trip National: 6 \$1,000 scholarships	Robin M. Bird, Ag Equipment Division CASE IH, 700 State Street, Racine, WI 53404 W. M. Jones, President, PURINA MILLS, INC. P.O. Box 66812, St. Louis, MO 63166	County Fair Top Ag Exhibit - Stolzenburg Family
ALUMNI	County: Medals of Honor National: 8 Congress trips, 8 Gold Keys	Mike Scalon, Product Manager BEATRICE/HUNT-WESSON ORVILLE REDENBACHER'S GOURMET CORN 1645 West Valencia Drive Fullerton, CA 92634-5003	County Nomination thru application
	State: Plaques for first & second place Congress trip for first place	NEBRASKA 4-H DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION William E. Caldwell 114 Ag Hall, Lincoln, NE 68583-0700	
BEEF	County: Medals of Honor State: Congress trip National: 6 \$1,000 scholarships	Varnell Moore, President, WRANGLER JEANS 414 Church Street, Greensboro, NC 27420 Ms. JoAnn Smith, President of Promotion BEEF INDUSTRY COUNCIL ON BEHALF OF THE BEEF BOARD, 444 N. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611	Adopt-A-Calf Buckle - Jerry Adamson Donor NW Nebr. Hereford Assoc. \$100 Cash prize Best of Class - Hereford Fat Steer Best 4-H Presentation Using Beef (Jr. & Sr.) \$50 Bond - Area 17 Stockwomen
	District: \$100 Event Voucher (1 per district) State: Congress trip funding	NEBRASKA BEEF INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT BOARD Rodger Pearson, P.O. Box 2408 Kearney, NE 68848	
	State: One year subscription (2nd place)	SUCCESSFUL FARMING, Richard Krumme 1716 Locust Street, Des Moines, IA 50309	
BREAD	County: Medals of Honor State: Congress trip National: 6 \$1,500 scholarships	Frank J. Stephens, Vice President FLEISCHMANN'S YEAST, INC., Suite 210, 1420 Harbor Bay Parkway, Alameda, CA 94501	(See Top Foods Exhibitor)
CITIZENSHIP	County: Medals of Honor State: Congress trip National: 9 \$1,000 scholarships	THE COCA-COLA FOUNDATION, Gordon C. Bynum Director, Civic Affairs, USA 9, P.O. Box 1734 Atlanta, GA 30301	\$400 shared scholarship to Citizenship Focus in Washington, D.C. Emmet Adamson Trust - Cherry-Co.
CLOTHING	County: Medals of Honor State: Congress trip (18 sectional) National: 4 \$1,000 scholarships	Robert G. Laidlaw, Chairman, COATS & CLARKS, 72 Cummings Point Rd., Box 1966, Stamford, CN 06904	Most Creative Jr. & Sr. Trophy - Allen Sedivy Family
COMPANION ANIMALS	County: Medal of Honor State: Congress trip	NORDEN LABORATORIES, Cecil Metzger 601 West Cornhusker Hwy., Lincoln, NE 68521	County Fair Small Animal Trophy
CONSUMER EDUCATION	County: Medals of Honor State: Congress trip	NABISCO BISCUIT COMPANY	Home Economics Award-1 per club/ Outstanding Member - by Cherry County Home Extension Club

PROGRAM	INCENTIVES	DONOR	Additional County Incentives
CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES	County: Medals of Honors	Neil O. Christenson, Vice President,	Added Incentive Premiums from County Fair Exhibits - Middle Niobrara Natural Resource District
	State: Congress trip	DEERE & COMPANY, John Deere Road	
	National: 6 \$1,000 scholarships	Moline, IL 61265	
	State: \$100 savings bond for 2nd place	NEBRASKA LAND IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTORS ASSN. William Hartmann, Box 301, Seward, NE 68434	
DAIRY	State: One year subscription (2nd place)	SUCCESSFUL FARMING, Richard Krumme 1716 Locust Street, Des Moines, IA 50309	
	State: Congress trip (18 sectional)	Dr. Alberto Adam, Vice President	
	National: 6 \$1,000 scholarships	AMERICAN CYANAMID COMPANY, One Cyanamid Plaza Wayne, NJ 07470	
		Bonnie Neuenfeldt, Community Relations Manager LAND O'LAKES, INC., P.O. Box 116 Minneapolis, MN 55440	
	State: Congress trip funding	NEBRASKA STATE DAIRYMEN ASSOCIATION George Woolsey, Box 218, Inland, NE 68954	
	State: One year subscription (2nd place)	COOPER FOUNDATION, E.N. Thompson, President 504 Cooper Plaza, 211 N 12, Lincoln, NE 68508	
DAIRY FOODS	County: Medals of Honor	SUCCESSFUL FARMING, Richard Krumme 1716 Locust Street, Des Moines, IA 50309	
	State: Congress trip (20 sectional)	Richard N. Matthews, Vice President	
DOG CARE AND TRAINING	National: 6 \$1,000 scholarships	CARNATION COMPANY, 5045 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90036	Dog Treats & Rewards: Valentine Feed Supply & CJ's Nickelodeon Dog Health Packet: Butler/ Reenders Vet Clinic
	County: Medals of Honor	Terry Block, Division Vice President	
	State: Congress trip (18 sectional) Transistor radio	RALSTON PURINA COMPANY, DOG FOODS GROUP Checkerboard Square, St. Louis, MO 63164	
ELECTRIC ENERGY	National: 6 \$1,000 scholarships		
	County: Medals of Honor	David L. Litten, Vice President	
	State: Congress trip	WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC CORPORATION 10 Riverside Plaza, Chicago, IL 60606	
	State: Registration to Energy Youth Camp	NEBRASKA INTER-INDUSTRY ELECTRIC COUNCIL Judy Trautwein, c/o Cornhusker P.P.D. Box 9, Columbus, MO 68601	
ENTOMOLOGY	County: Medals of Honor		
	State: Congress trip (16 sectional) \$75 savings bond	Heinz Wehner, Vice President, MOBAY CORPORATION, AG CHEMICALS DIVISION P.O. Box 4913, Kansas City, MO 64120	
	National: 6 \$1,000 scholarships		



PROGRAM	INCENTIVES	DONOR	
FASHION REVUE	County: Medals of Honor	Richard Gyde, President, SIMPLICITY PATTERN COMPANY, INC., 200 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10016	Top Jr. Stylist - Gift Certificate
	State: Congress trip (35 sectional)		Top Sr. Stylist - Gift Certificate
	National: 4 \$1,000 scholarships	Bengt Gerborg, President, VIKING WHITE SEWING MACHINE COMPANY, 11750 Berea Road Cleveland, OH 44111	-Cramer Sewing Center
FOOD-NUTRITION	County: Medals of Honor	THE GENERAL FOODS FUND, INC.	
	State: Congress trip	Andrew J. Schroder III, Senior Vice President	County Fair: Top Foods Exhibit
	National: 6 \$1,000 scholarships	250 North Street, White Plains, NY 10625	
FOOD CONSERVATION PRESERVATION & SAFETY	County: Medals of Honor	HEINZ VINEGAR, Kerry Kurff, Product Manager	
	State: Congress trip (25 sectional)	P.O. Box 57, Pittsburgh, PA 15230	
	National: 4 \$1,000 scholarships		
FORESTRY	County: Medals of Honor	INTERNATIONAL PAPER FOUNDATION, John Georges	(Natural Resource Incentives)
	State: Congress trip	Chairman, Two Manhattanville Road Purchase, NY 10577	
	National: 6 \$1,000 scholarships	SUCCESSFUL FARMING, Richard Krumme	
	State: One year subscription (2nd place)	1716 Locust Street, Des Moines, IA 50309	
GARDENING & HORTICULTURE	County: Medals of Honor	James Lieto, Vice President & General Manager	County Fair - Gift Certificates:
	State: Congress trip (20 sectional)	CHEVRON CHEMICAL COMPANY, ORTHO CONSUMER PRODUCTS DIVISION, P. O. Box 5047	Sunshine Greenhouse
	National: 5 \$1,000 scholarships	San Ramon, CA 94583-0947	
HEALTH	County: Medals of Honor	John Richman, Chairman of the Board	
	State: Congress trip	KRAFT, INC., Kraft Court, Glenview, IL 60025	
	National: 8 \$1,000 scholarships		
	State: Funding for Congress trip	SECURITY MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	
		Leland Holdt, 200 Centennial Mall North Lincoln, NE 68508	
HORSE	County: Medals of Honor	Don Treadway, Director of Public Relations	Good Sportsmanship Award:
	National: 6 \$1,000 scholarships	AMERICAN QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION,	Anonymous Donor
	6 Congress trips	2701 I-40 East, Amarillo, TX 79168	Champion Reining: Ron Qualley
	District: \$20 Event Voucher (1 per district)	NORDAN LABORATORIES, Cecil Metzger	Family
	State: Congress trip	601 W. Cornhusker Hwy., Lincoln, NE 68521	
	State: 1 or more college scholarships	R. B. WARREN EDUCATIONAL HORSE SCHOLARSHIP FUND, 114 Ag Hall, UNL, Lincoln, NE 68583	
		GRAND ISLAND SADDLE CLUB SCHOLARSHIP FUND	
		114 Ag Hall, UNL, Lincoln, NE 68583	
	State: One year subscription (2nd place)	SUCCESSFUL FARMING, Richard Krumme	
		1716 Locust Street, Des Moines, IA 50309	
INVITATIONAL EVENTS	State: Two or more individuals to attend out-of-state events on an invitational basis. (Selected at county & district on record, state on personal interview)	Varies with event	County: State 4-H Conference Cherry County 4-H Council

PROGRAM	INCENTIVES	DONOR	
LEADERSHIP	County: Medals of Honor State: Congress trip National: 9 \$1,000 scholarships State: Funding for Congress trip	FIRESTONE TRUST FUND, James R. Thomas Vice President, North American Tire Operations 1200 Firestone Parkway, Akron, OH 44317 WES ANTES LEADERSHIP FUND, 114 Ag Hall, UNL Lincoln, NE 68583	(See National/State 4-H Conference)
NATIONAL CONFERENCES	State: Four or more individuals to attend out-of-state events on an invitational basis. (Selected at county & district on record, state on personal interview)	Varies with event	State 4-H Conference: 2 paid scholarships
NATIONAL 4-H DAIRY CONFERENCE	State: Partial funding for 2-6 delegates	NEBRASKA STATE DAIRYMEN ASSOCIATION George Woolsey, Box 218, Inland, NE 68954 COOPER FOUNDATION, E.N. Thompson, President 504 Cooper Plaza, 211 N 12, Lincoln, NE 68508	
PETROLEUM POWER	County: Medals of Honor State: Congress trip National: 6 \$1,000 scholarships	AMOCO FOUNDATION, INC., Judith Kaminsky Public Affaire Representative 200 East Randolph Drive, Chicago, IL 60601	
PHOTOGRAPHY	County: Medals of Honor State: Congress trip National: 6 \$1,500 scholarships	Robert Fordyce, Consumer Markets Division EASTMAN KODAK COMPANY, 343 State Street Rochester, NY 14650	(Outstanding Photography Leader Award - Kodak)
PLANT & SOIL SCIENCE (FIELD CROPS)	National: 4 \$1,000 scholarships 4 Congress trips County: 1 Medal of Honor State: Funding for Congress trip State: One year subscription (2nd place)	Harold Poling, Chairman NATIONAL 4-H COUNCIL, 7100 Connecticut Avenue Chevy Chase, MD 20815 NEBRASKA SOYBEAN DEVELOPMENT, MARKETING AND UTILIZATION BOARD, Tamara Althouse, Box 95144 Lincoln, NE 68509 SUCCESSFUL FARMING, Richard Krumme 1716 Locust Street, Des Moines, IA 50309	(Natural Resource Incentives)
POULTRY	County: 1 Medal of Honor State: Funding for Congress trip Partial funds for Mid-West Poultry Federation Conference State: One year subscription (2nd place)	NEBRASKA POULTRY INDUSTRIES, INC., Doyle Free A103 Animal Sciences, UNL, Lincoln, NE 68583 SUCCESSFUL FARMING, Richard Krumme 1716 Locust Street, Des Moines, IA 50309	
PRESIDENTIAL AWARD	National: 12 \$1,000 scholarships 12 Silver trays	J. Edward Hall, President READER'S DIGEST FOUNDATION Pleasantville, NY 10570	
PUBLIC SPEAKING	County: Medals of Honor State: Congress trip (24 sectional) National: 6 \$1,000 scholarships	Roger C. Beach, President, UNOCAL CORPORATION 1201 West 5th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90017	Camp Scholarship to Top Speaker
SAFETY	County: Medals of Honor State: Congress trip National: 8 \$1,000 scholarships	GENERAL MOTORS FOUNDATION, INC., John Agnello Public Relations Staff, Room 11-131 3044 West Grand Boulevard, Detroit MI 48202	



PROGRAM	INCENTIVES	DONOR	
SHEEP	National: 4 \$1,000 scholarships 4 Congress trips	AMERICAN SHEEP PRODUCERS COUNCIL, INC. Rodger L. Wasson, Executive Director 100 Clayton Street, Denver, CO 80206	
	State: Funding for Congress trip	MR. & MRS HARRY HART, RR. Cozad, NE 69130 NEBRASKA REGISTERED SHEEP BREEDERS ASSN. Ted Doane, Animal Sci., UNL, Lincoln, NE 68583 NEBRASKA SHEEP COUNCIL, Elaine Uhler HC 65, Box 82-B, O'Neill, NE 68763 NEBRASKA SUFFOLK SHEEP ASSOCIATION Larry Pershing, RR. Greenwood, NE 68366	
	State: One year subscription (2nd place)	SUCCESSFUL FARMING, Richard Krumme 1716 Locust Street, Des Moines, IA 50309	
SWINE	County: Medals of Honor	Robert Fountain, Vice President, PFIZER, INC. 235 East 42nd Street, New York, NE 10017	
	State: Congress trip (20 sectional)	Ernie Barnes, Director of Industry Relations NATIONAL PORK PRODUCERS COUNCIL, Box 10383 Des Moines, IA 50306	
	National: 6 \$1,000 scholarships		
	State: Funding for Congress trip	NEBRASKA PORK PRODUCERS, Terry Schrick, 112 Mussehl Hall, UNL, Lincoln, NE 68383	
VETERINARY SCIENCE	State: One year subscription (2nd place)	SUCCESSFUL FARMING, Richard Krumme 1716 Locust Street, Des Moines, IA 50309	
	County: Medals of Honor	Phillip Sheldon, Manager, Ag Public Relations THE UPJOHN COMPANY, Department 9823-190-45 700 Portage Road, Kalamazoo, MI 49001	
	State: Congress trip (16 sectional)		
	National: 6 \$1,000 scholarships		
	District: \$20 Event Voucher (1 per district)	NORDAN LABORATORIES, Cecil Metzger 601 W. Cornhusker Hwy., Lincoln, NE 68521	
	State: Congress trip	NEBRASKA VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION Don Ellerbee, 209 West 9, Hastings, NE 68901	
	County: Individuals certificates	NEBRASKA VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSN AUXILIARY Helen Wempe, 827 E 7, York, NE 68467	
	State: Medallion and \$25		
WILDLIFE & FISHERIES	State: One year subscription (2nd place)	SUCCESSFUL FARMING, Richard Krumme 1716 Locust Street, Des Moines, IA 50309	
	County: Medals of Honor	JEEP CORPORATION, Dan Gliniecki, Manager American Center, 27777 Franklin Road Southfield, MI 48034	See Conservation & Natural Resources
	State: Congress trip (16 sectional)	Jay Hair, President, NATIONAL WILDLIFE FEDERATION, 1412 Sixteenth Street, NW Washington, DC 20036	
	National: 6 \$1,500 scholarships		

1988-1989 4-H INCENTIVES PROVIDED BY STATE DONORS  
GROUP OR LEADER INCENTIVES  
4-H ACTIVITIES

PROGRAM	INCENTIVES	DONOR	
COMMUNITY SERVICE & INVOLVEMENT	County: "Helping Hand" certificates for any 4-H group completing a community service project	NEBRASKA 4-H DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION 114 Ag Hall, UNL, Lincoln, NE 68583	
	State: \$50-\$200 grants for top applicants	PIONEER HY-BRED INTERNATIONAL, INC. Bruce Whitson, Box 5307, Lincoln, NE 68505	
CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES	County: Club Certificates State: 10 club certificates, \$50 top group	Neil O. Christenson, Vice President, DEERE & COMPANY, John Deere Road Moline, IL 61265	
ELECTRIC ENERGY	State: Plaque for 1st place group Drill for leader of group	NEBRASKA RURAL ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION Rex Carpenter, Box 82048, Lincoln, NE 68501	
HEALTH	County: 4 club certificates State: 10 club certificates	John Richman, Chairman of the Board KRAFT, INC., Kraft Court, Glenview, IL 60025	
JUNIOR LEADER	District: \$85 Event Voucher (prorated per district based on enrollment)	FIRSTIER LINCOLN, Stanley Maly III, 13 & M Box 81008, Lincoln, NE 68508	
LEADER SERVICE	County: Pins and certificates (1/2 cost basis for 2, 5, and 10 years)	KNIGHTS OF AK-SAR-BEN, Sherman Berg 63rd & Shirley, Omaha, NE 68106	Certificates and Gifts for Leaders-Cherry Co. 4-H Council
OUTSTANDING 4-H MEMBER	County: 1 Medal of Honor	KNIGHTS OF AK-SAR-BEN, Sherman Berg 63rd & Shirley, Omaha, NE 68106	
PHOTOGRAPHY	County: Leader pins	Robert Fordyce, Consumer Markets Division EASTMAN KODAK COMPANY, 343 State Street Rochester, NY 14650	
PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST	County: Ribbons District: Pen sets, \$90 Event Vouchers for top two in each district State: Two \$350 scholarships for use at the University of Nebraska	KFAB BROADCASTING, Warren Nielson 5010 Underwood Avenue, Omaha, NE 68132	
SAFETY	County: Group patches State: Group patches (10 group) 1 Stock share for 1st group	GENERAL MOTORS FOUNDATION, INC., John Agnello Public Relations Staff, Room 11-131 3044 West Grand Boulevard, Detroit, MI 48202	



1988-1989 4-H INCENTIVES PROVIDED BY STATE DONORS  
STATE FAIR PRESENTATIONS

Several of the special incentives are listed for more than one category. Presentations in all categories listed will be considered when the recipients are selected. (Example: The recipient of the incentive provided by the Soybean Board will be selected [based on score] from those qualifying in classes related to Agriculture, Careers, Foods, and Human Health.)

Incentives will be shared by team unless otherwise indicated.

CLASS	INCENTIVES and DESCRIPTION	DONOR
AGRICULTURE, ENGINEERING & PLANT SCIENCE	\$25 for top purple/blue presentation on electricity and its use	NEBRASKA RURAL ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION Rex Carpenter, Box 82048, Lincoln, NE 68501
	\$25 Event Voucher for top four presenters whose topic includes the production, marketing and/or use of soybeans	NEBRASKA SOYBEAN DEVELOPMENT, MARKETING AND UTILIZATION BOARD, Tamara Althouse Box 95144, Lincoln, NE 68509
	\$25 Event Voucher for top two presenters whose topic includes the marketing and/or use of beef products	NEBRASKA BEEF INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT BOARD Rodger Pearson, Box 2408, Kearney, NE 68848
	\$75 Event Voucher for top two presenters whose topic relates to family life (involvement, influence, etc.)	NEBRASKA COUNCIL OF HOME EXTENSION CLUBS Carol Chase, RR, Elsmere, NE 69135
	\$25-\$40 Event Voucher for top purple presenter(s) in Ag classes	NEBRASKA STATE FAIR BOARD, John Skold, Box 81223, Lincoln, NE 68501
CAREERS	\$25 Event Voucher for top four presenters whose topic includes the production, marketing and/or use of soybeans	NEBRASKA SOYBEAN DEVELOPMENT, MARKETING AND UTILIZATION BOARD, Tamara Althouse Box 95144, Lincoln, NE 68509
	\$25 Event Voucher for top two presenters whose topic includes the marketing and/or use of beef products	NEBRASKA BEEF INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT BOARD Rodger Pearson, Box 2408, Kearney, NE 68848
	\$75 Event Voucher for top two presenters whose topic relates to family life (involvement, influence, etc.)	NEBRASKA COUNCIL OF HOME EXTENSION CLUBS Carol Chase, RR, Elsmere, NE 69135
	\$25-\$40 Event Voucher for top purple presenter(s) in Careers classes	NEBRASKA STATE FAIR BOARD, John Skold, Box 81223, Lincoln, NE 68501
CHILD CARE	\$75 Event Voucher for top two presenters whose topic relates to family life (involvement, influence, etc.)	NEBRASKA COUNCIL OF HOME EXTENSION CLUBS Carol Chase, RR, Elsmere, NE 69135
	\$25-\$40 Event Voucher for top purple presenter(s) in Child Care classes	NEBRASKA STATE FAIR BOARD, John Skold, Box 81223, Lincoln, NE 68501

CLASS	INCENTIVES and DESCRIPTION	DONOR
CLOTHING	\$10 certificate of purchase for top presenter using pigskin	NEBRASKA PORK COUNCIL WOMEN, PIGSKIN COMMITTEE, Cindy Witte, RR 1, Box 8 Scribner, NE 68057
	\$75 Event Voucher for top two presenters whose topic relates to family life (involvement, influence, etc.)	NEBRASKA COUNCIL OF HOME EXTENSION CLUBS Carol Chase, RR, Elsmere, NE 69135
	\$25-\$40 Event Voucher for top purple presenter(s) in Clothing classes	NEBRASKA STATE FAIR BOARD, John Skold, Box 81223, Lincoln, NE 68501
COMPUTER	\$75 Event Voucher for top two presenters whose topic relates to family life (involvement, influence, etc.)	NEBRASKA COUNCIL OF HOME EXTENSION CLUBS Carol Chase, RR, Elsmere, NE 69135
	\$25-\$40 Event Voucher for top purple presenter(s) in Foods classes	NEBRASKA STATE FAIR BOARD, John Skold, Box 81223, Lincoln, NE 68501
FOODS	\$85 Event Voucher for top presenter of dairy foods presentation	AMERICAN DAIRY ASSOCIATION, J.S. Lewis RR, Daykin, NE 68338
	\$85 Event Vouchers for top two presenters whose topic involves the use of pork	NEBRASKA PORK PRODUCERS, Terry Schrick Animal Sciences, UNL, Lincoln, NE 68583
	\$85 Event Voucher for top presenter whose topic relates to purchasing or preparing pork (Top presentation will be presented at annual Nebraska Pork Producers Banquet	NEBRASKA PORK COUNCIL WOMEN, Marie Spreeman RR 1, Box 32, Schuyler, NE 68661
	\$85 Event Voucher for top presenter whose whose topic includes the baking or use of bread or wheat grinding or products prepared from ground wheat or bulgur	NEBRASKA WHEAT BOARD, Dan McGuire, Box 94912 Lincoln, NE 68509
	Plaque and trip to National Poultry Contest in Louisville, KY for top presenter using eggs in foods presentation. Must be turning 15 during calendar year.	NEBRASKA POULTRY INDUSTRIES, INC., Doyle Free A103 Animal Sciences, UNL, Lincoln, NE 68583
	\$85 Event Vouchers for 2nd & 3rd place presenters using eggs in foods presentation.	
	\$25 Event Voucher for top four presenters whose topic includes the production, marketing and/or use of soybeans	NEBRASKA SOYBEAN DEVELOPMENT, MARKETING AND UTILIZATION BOARD, Tamara Althouse Box 95144, Lincoln, NE 68509
	\$25 Event Voucher for top two presenters whose topic includes the marketing and/or use of beef products	NEBRASKA BEEF INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT BOARD Rodger Pearson, Box 2408, Kearney, NE 68848
	\$75 Event Voucher for top two presenters whose topic relates to family life (involvement, influence, etc.)	NEBRASKA COUNCIL OF HOME EXTENSION CLUBS Carol Chase, RR, Elsmere, NE 69135



CLASS	INCENTIVES and DESCRIPTION	DONOR
HOME ENVIRONMENT	\$10 certificate of purchase for top presenter using pigskin	NEBRASKA PORK COUNCIL WOMEN, PIGSKIN COMMITTEE, Cindy Witte, RR 1, Box 8 Scribner, NE 68057
	\$25 for top purple/blue presentation on electricity and its use	NEBRASKA RURAL ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION Rex Carpenter, Box 82048, Lincoln, NE 68501
	\$75 Event Voucher for top two presenters whose topic relates to family life (involvement, influence, etc.)	NEBRASKA COUNCIL OF HOME EXTENSION CLUBS Carol Chase, RR, Elsmere, NE 69135
	\$25-\$40 Event Voucher for top purple presenter(s) in Home Environment classes	NEBRASKA STATE FAIR BOARD, John Skold, Box 81223, Lincoln, NE 68501
	\$25 Event Voucher for top four presenters whose topic includes the production, marketing and/or use of soybeans	NEBRASKA SOYBEAN DEVELOPMENT, MARKETING AND UTILIZATION BOARD, Tamara Althouse Box 95144, Lincoln, NE 68509
HUMAN HEALTH	\$25 Event Voucher for top two presenters whose topic includes the marketing and/or use of beef products	NEBRASKA BEEF INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT BOARD Rodger Pearson, Box 2408, Kearney, NE 68848
	\$75 Event Voucher for top two presenters whose topic relates to family life (involvement, influence, etc.)	NEBRASKA COUNCIL OF HOME EXTENSION CLUBS Carol Chase, RR, Elsmere, NE 69135
	\$25-\$40 Event Voucher for top purple presenter(s) in Human Health classes	NEBRASKA STATE FAIR BOARD, John Skold, Box 81223, Lincoln, NE 68501
	\$75 Event Voucher for top two presenters whose topic relates to family life (involvement, influence, etc.)	NEBRASKA COUNCIL OF HOME EXTENSION CLUBS Carol Chase, RR, Elsmere, NE 69135
	\$25-\$40 Event Voucher for top purple presenter(s) in Live Animal classes	NEBRASKA STATE FAIR BOARD, John Skold, Box 81223, Lincoln, NE 68501
LIVE ANIMAL	\$75 Event Voucher for top two presenters whose topic relates to family life (involvement, influence, etc.)	NEBRASKA COUNCIL OF HOME EXTENSION CLUBS Carol Chase, RR, Elsmere, NE 69135
	\$25-\$40 Event Voucher for top purple presenter(s) in Live Animal classes	NEBRASKA STATE FAIR BOARD, John Skold, Box 81223, Lincoln, NE 68501
SAFETY & FIRST AID	\$75 Event Voucher for top two presenters whose topic relates to family life (involvement, influence, etc.)	NEBRASKA COUNCIL OF HOME EXTENSION CLUBS Carol Chase, RR, Elsmere, NE 69135
	\$25-\$40 Event Voucher for top purple presenter(s) in Safety & First Aid classes	NEBRASKA STATE FAIR BOARD, John Skold, Box 81223, Lincoln, NE 68501
OTHER	\$75 Event Voucher for top two presenters whose topic relates to family life (involvement, influence, etc.)	NEBRASKA COUNCIL OF HOME EXTENSION CLUBS Carol Chase, RR, Elsmere, NE 69135
	\$25-\$40 Event Voucher for top purple presenter(s) in Other classes	NEBRASKA STATE FAIR BOARD, John Skold, Box 81223, Lincoln, NE 68501
County Fair	Special Selected prizes or trophies for top exhibits in Foods, Clothing, Home Environment, Top Ag, Top Misc. Exhibits, Herdsmanship, Horticulture, Sportsmanship & Small Animals	
Shooting Sports	High Point Shooter - Year Most Improved Shooter Contest High Point	Joseph's Bow & Gun

## INCENTIVES AVAILABLE FOR 4-H GROUPS

There are several incentives available to 4-H groups at the county and state levels. County group winners and Community Pride requests should be listed on FORM 1-88, page 2. Application for the 4-H Community Involvement Program Grants should be made on the special form in the appendix. Application for group state incentives should be made on the National 4-H Group Report Form and submitted to the 4-H Youth Development Department by July 15. The state selection committee will choose the 4-H group recipients. Group applications should not be submitted for district competition.

### County level

**4-H COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM**- Grants of \$50-200 will be presented to qualifying 4-H groups (see appendix for 4-H Community Involvement Program Grant application form and details). Donor: Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc.

**4-H COMMUNITY PRIDE** - One certificate of recognition will be provided for each 4-H group that completes a community service activity. A 4-H Community Pride activity is service done for the benefit of someone other than the 4-H members or other participants in the Nebraska 4-H program. Community service work performed by the 4-H groups/clubs is included in the group or special interest activity summary - F 0-36.

**CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES** - Four certificates per county will be awarded to local 4-H groups conducting outstanding conservation of natural resources program. Donor: John Deere Foundation

**HEALTH** - Four certificates per county will be awarded to local 4-H groups conducting outstanding health programs. Donor: Kraft, Inc.

**SAFETY** - The top group in each county will be awarded a maximum of 25 County 4-H Community Action Award patches. Donor: The General Motors Foundation

### State level

**CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES** - Ten certificates will be awarded to groups reporting the most outstanding conservation of natural resources program. The county submitting the top group application will receive \$50 to be used for the advancement of the county's program. Donor: John Deere

**ELECTRIC ENERGY** - A plaque will be awarded to the 4-H group having the most outstanding electric energy program. Donor: Nebraska Rural Electric Association

**HEALTH** - Ten certificates will be awarded to groups reporting the most outstanding local 4-H health programs. Donor: Kraft, Inc.

**SAFETY** - The ten groups with the most outstanding safety program will be awarded a maximum of 25 State 4-H Community Action Award patches. A share of General Motors stock will be presented to the top 4-H group. Donor: The General Motors Foundation, Inc.



4-H COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM  
GRANT APPLICATION

Applications Due: July 1

Submit To: Cherry County Extension Office  
Box 48  
Valentine NE 69201

Name of 4-H Group

County

Complete Mailing Address

Town

Zip

USE ADDITIONAL PAGES, IF NECESSARY, TO ADEQUATELY DESCRIBE THE FOLLOWING:

1. Community problem and/or need identified:
2. Describe, in detail, how the 4-H group will be involved in resolving the problem/need identified:
3. In addition to the 4-H group, who else in the community (individuals/groups) will be involved in this project?
4. How will the 4-H group interact with those listed above? (Who does what?)
5. What do you expect to accomplish with this project?
6. Who will benefit from this project?
7. What is the expected completion date of this project?
8. Budget (use your best estimates):

Human resources:

Number of individuals involved from 4-H group

Number of other individuals involved from the community

Number of hours needed to complete this project

Financial resources:

Total estimated cost of project

Total estimated income for project

Sources of income:

4-H Community Involvement Grant

List others

\$

\$

\$

If our 4-H group is selected as a 4-H Community Involvement Program grant recipient, we will furnish a detailed formal report to the 4-H Youth Development Department within one month of the date listed above. (This report will be forwarded to Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc.)

4-H group youth leader

4-H group adult leader

## TOP 10 ACHIEVER AWARD APPLICATION

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PARENTS NAMES \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

4-H AGE \_\_\_\_\_ YEARS IN 4-H \_\_\_\_\_ CLUB \_\_\_\_\_

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever applied for this award before? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, when? (years) \_\_\_\_\_

If you are named as a TOP 10 Achiever in Cherry County, would you prefer to be  
awarded a TOP Achiever jacket \_\_\_\_\_ or a \$50 bond \_\_\_\_\_.

Jacket size SMALL MEDIUM LARGE (circle one)

(Howe Athletic Apparel - Satin jacket/flannel lined/snap front/knit cuffs)

Attach two wallet size photos here

Attach a autobiographical sketch (approximately 100 words) of your 4-H career and  
interests and school/church/community activities. Please write in 3rd person form  
for newspaper release.

Time schedule preference:

Include this sheet with record books/application.



The top 10 4-Her's in Cherry County are chosen by the following method. This takes place of the King and Queen we have had previously. The top 4-Her's are honored on Achievement Night which is usually held the first part of Nov.

1. Clubs (Organizational Leaders) are asked to submit names of top achievers in their clubs to the Extension Office.

- a. These are invited, by letter, to have award books in by the deadline. This is a letter of encouragement to perhaps spur-on those who may not have the incentive to get their record books in for awards without it. (Any 4-H'er who is 12 by Jan. 1st may submit his/her Record book even if they don't receive this letter of encouragement.)

2. Must be 12 by Jan. 1st to be eligible for the top 10 Achievers in Cherry County.

3. Submit Record books by the deadline.

Record books will be judged by the following criteria:

- \* Experiences in 4-H projects and activities - 50%
- \* Experiences in 4-H Leadership - 25%
- \* Growth and Development through 4-H  
Citizenship and Community Involvement - 25%

4. Judges will choose 15 4-Her's based on Award Books to come in on a day appointed for a personal interview by them.

- a. This interview is very important. Dress neatly, have good posture, talk clearly. Sell yourself! (That is- feel good about your achievements and your abilities.)
- b. In the event someone is ill or out-of-the County, the judges may set up a telephone interview with him/her on that day.

5. Interview - 50% and Award books - 50%

- a. From the interview and Award books combined, the judges will then choose the top 10 4-Her's in Cherry County. These top 10 receive an olympic -style medal Achievement Night.
- b. From these top 10 Achievers (or the number the judges feel are top achievers) there are 5 Outstanding 4-Her's chosen for that year. These 5 will receive a green-white jacket with 4-H emblem on it.

\* Notes:

In the event, a top achiever's Award Book is going to the State level, permission has been granted by the 4-H Council to copy the needed records for the County level awards.

These policies are subject to approval and change by 4-H Council.

## Awards and Incentive Tally Sheet

4-H Record Book

Year

No. of books submitted for awards

No. of Boys/Girls

No. submitted for at least one Co. Medal

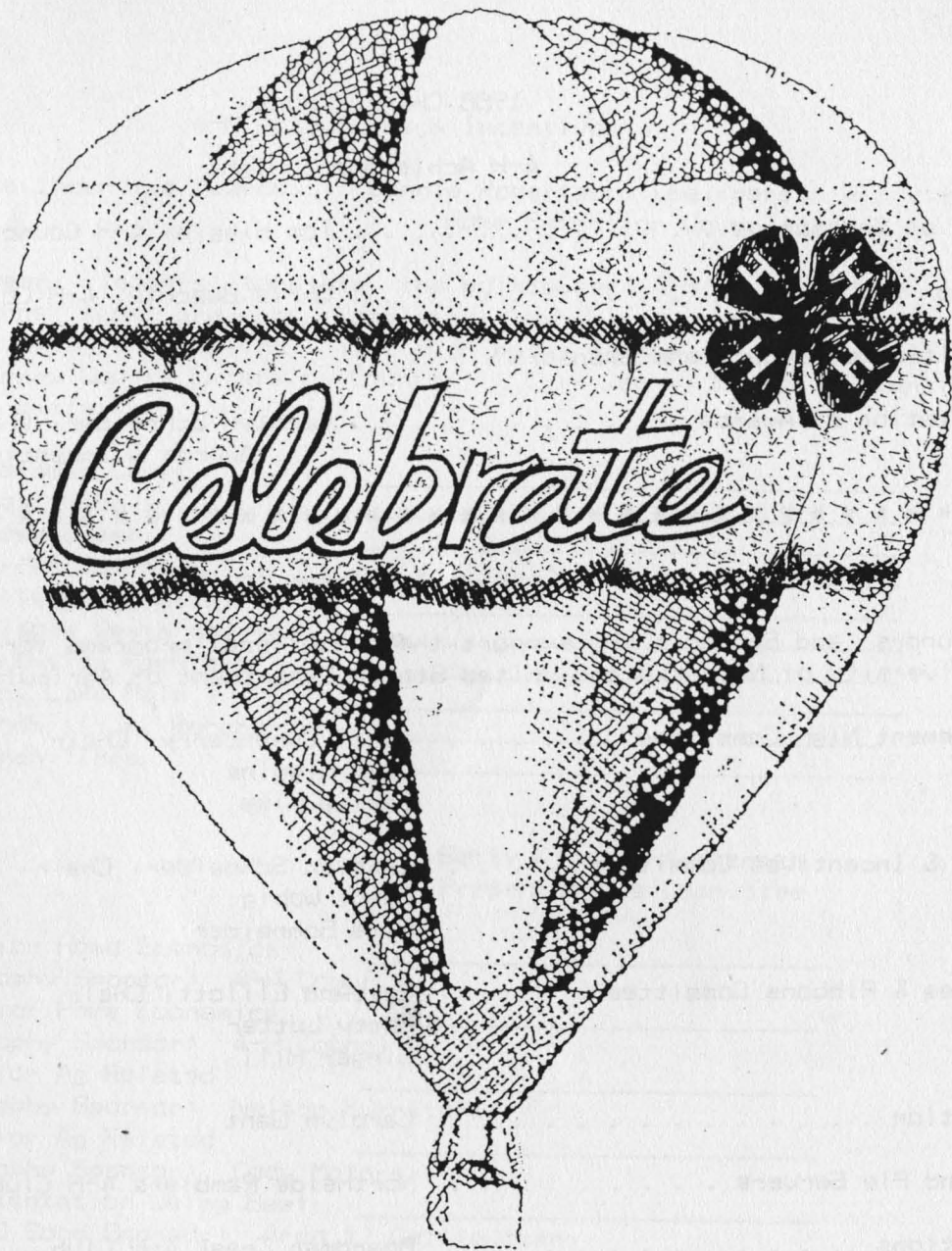
No. of county medals awarded

No. of books recommended for Dist.

No. submitting for Top Achiever Awards  
Boys/Girls

No. submitted for Confernce Scholarship

No. of state winners



**1988 CHERRY COUNTY  
4-H  
ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT**



1988 Cherry County

4-H Achievement Night

Master of Ceremonies . . . . . Tom Higgin, 4-H Council Chairperson  
Welcome . . . . . Chris Buechle, 4-H Council Vice-Chair  
Recognition of Donors and Sponsors  
Presentation of Awards . . . . . Carolyn Schneider, Chairperson  
Awards & Incentives Committee

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Special 4-H Thank You's

Donors and Sponsors who support the educational programs for Cherry County 4-H,  
the University of Nebraska and United States Department of Agriculture.

Achievement Nigh Committee . . . . . Candi Dusenberry, Chair  
Lynn Higgins  
Danita Kime  
Awards & Incentives Committee . . . . . Carolyn Schneider, Chair  
Carol Wobig  
Rita Schneider  
Trophies & Ribbons Committee . . . . . RoseAnn Elliott, Chair  
Patty Lutter  
Ginger Hill  
Invocation . . . . . Carolyn Gant  
Soup and Pie Servers . . . . . Northside Ramblers 4-H Club  
Decorations . . . . . Boardman Creek 4-H Club  
Kilgore Westernaires 4-H Club  
Welcome Table & Registration . . . . . Goose Creek 4-H Club  
Dance Refreshments . . . . . Sandhillers 4-H Club  
Room Arrangements & Clearing Tables. . . . . Gordon Valley 4-H Club



#### 4-H Activities & Incentives

4-H Home Economics Incentive Awards. . Connie Robertson, Chairperson  
Home Extension Council

Each year, leaders tabulate the points each 4-H'er in Home Economics projects earns from projects completed, exhibits, presentations, meetings attended, judging and styling. The high point member is presented with a gift from the Cherry County Extension Council. This year, Emanon Extension Club selected the gifts.

Boardman Creek	_____
Ghost Riders	_____
Goose Creek	_____
Gordon Valley	_____
Hills and Trails	_____
Kilgore Westernaires	_____
Northside Ramblers	_____
Pony Lake Pals	_____
Sandhill Jr. Ranchers	_____
Sandhillers	_____

4-H Presentations . . . . . Betty Kime, Chairperson  
Presentations Committee

Top Junior Home Economics	_____
Trophy Sponsor:	4-H Council
Top Senior Home Economics	_____
Trophy Sponsor:	4-H Council
Top Junior Ag Related	_____
Trophy Sponsor:	Nelson Furniture
Top Senior Ag Related	_____
Trophy Sponsor:	Cody Motors
Top Presentation Using Beef	_____
\$50 Bond Sponsor:	Area 17 Cattlewomen, Jackie Ravenscroft, Chairperson

4-H State Fair Music/Drill Team . . . . . Sponsor: Betty & Delbert Kudrna

Northside Ramblers:	Ashley Brown	STATE FAIR - RED RIBBON GROUP
	Janet Ebert	
	Erin Radant	
	Kendra Stephens	

## JUDGING EVENTS

4-H Home Economics Committee . . . . . Lynda Ravenscroft, Member  
Home Economics Committee

Top Junior	_____	
Sponsor: Jay & Ida Mae Hayford		4-H Big Shirt
Top Intermediate	_____	
Sponsor: Dairy Sweet		4-H Big Shirt
Top Senior	_____	
Sponsor: Jay & Ida Mae Hayford		4-H Big Shirt
Contest Winner	_____	
Sponsor: Corner Market		Silver Engraved Tray

### Nebraska State Fair - HOME ECONOMICS JUDGING TEAM

Sponsor: Cherry County Home Extension Council

Kandi Young

SIXTH IN NEBRASKA TEAM COMPETITION

Keri Young

Penny Mulligan

Susan Sedivy

Kendra Stephens

Leanna Vaughn

4-H Livestock Committee . . . . . Garrett Gale, Chairperson

### COUNTY CONTEST

Top Pre-Junior

Sponsor: Lloyd Schneider Family  
Western Vet Supply

Top Junior

Sponsor: Lloyd Schneider Family  
Western Vet Supply

Top Senior

Sponsor: Lloyd Schneider Family  
Western Vet Supply

### Nebraska State Fair - LIVESTOCK JUDGING TEAM

Sponsor: Wishbone Herefords

Orville Beyea Family

Jeff Chenoweth

Lois Sokol

Kristina Weber

Shane Wobig

Overall Progress and Record Book

Adopt-A-Calf - Trophy Buckle

Sponsor: Jerry Adamson

Ag Committee . . . . . Lauren Boeckenhauer

### RANGE MANAGEMENT

Top Range Exhibit At

Jess Ravenscroft

Nebraska State Fair

Sponsor: Nebraska Chapter Society for Range Management

One Years National Dues to S.R.M.

## COUNTY FAIR AWARDS

Each year points are tabulated for exhibits shown at the Cherry County Fair. Many businesses take part in sponsoring special categories of awards. Cherry Homemakers Extension Club lines up other sponsors such as C&H Sugar, Ball Canning Corporation, Sunshine Greenhouse, The Gallery and Alco.

Foods Awards . . . . . Rita Schneider Awards Committee

Top Foods Exhibits - Engraved Silver Tray

Sponsor: Henderson's IGA

and Most Exhibits - 25# C&H Sugar

Tie { Second - 20# C&H Sugar  
Third - 20# C&H Sugar  
Fourth - 10# C&H Sugar  
Fifth - 5# C&H Sugar

Food Preservation Exhibits

Sponsor: Ball Canning Corporation - Blue Books and Jars

Tie:

Home Environment Exhibits

Sponsor: \$10 Gift Certificate, Coast to Coast

Needle Arts Exhibits

Sponsor: \$10 Gift Certificate - The Gallery

Creative Crafts Exhibits

Sponsor: Glue Gun & Glue - Alco

Clothing Exhibits

Sponsor: Gift Certificate - The Style Shop

Cut Flowers

Sponsor: Sunshine Greenhouse - Gift Certificates

Junior . . . . .

Senior . . . . .

Vetetable Gardening

Sponsor: Sunshine Greenhouse - Gift Certificates

Junior . . . . .

Senior . . . . .

Agriculture Exhibit Plaque

Sponsor: Bud Stolzenburg Family

Top Miscellaneous Exhibit Plaque

Sponsor: Abbott Bank



Style Revue Committee . . . . . Marilyn Stephens, Chairperson

STYLE REVUE

State Fair Stylist . . . . .  
Sponsor: Gift Certificate by Cramer Sewing Center

State Fair Alternate . . . . .  
Sponsor:

Junior Stylist . . . . .  
Sponsor: Gift Certificate by Cramer Sewing Center

Most Creative Outfit - Junior. . . . .  
Sponsor: Allen Sedivy Family

Most Creative Outfit - Senior. . . . .  
Sponsor: Allen Sedivy Family

County Fair Awards

4-H Shooting Sports . . . . . Jan Joseph, Chair

Incentives for this program are provided by Joseph's Gun Shop  
and Lock, Stock and Barrel.

County Fair "Shoot Off Winner" . . . . .

'Top Guns' High Poin Winner . . . . .

'Top Guns' Most Improved Shooter . . . . .

Small Animal Exhibitor . . . . . Rita Schneider  
Sponsor: Jim Strong Family Awards Committee

Horse Awards

Champion Reining . . . . .  
Sponsor: Jack Kreycik Family

Good Sportsmanship . . . . .  
Sponsor: Anonymous

Livestock Herdsmanship

Cherry County Fair . . . . .  
Sponsor: First National Bank

Stocker Feeder Show . . . . .  
Sponsor: Greg & Angie Brown

EXHIBIT HALL TRAVELING TROPHY

This trophy, sponsored by the Duane Porath Family, is presented to an organized  
club that has the most exhibits per club members each year.

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### Community Improvement Awards

- |                        |  |
|------------------------|--|
| Boardman Creek         | - Repainted ranch directory signs  |
| Gordon Valley          | - Cleaned the Gordon Valley Cementary  |
| Hills & Trails         | - Provided refreshments for B.R.A.N. riders  |
|                        | - Cleaned 2 miles of Highway east of Wood Lake   |
|                        | - Handed out food plates to elderly people in Wood Lake  |
| Kilgore Westernaires   | - Cleaned Kilgore Town Hall so it could be used as a meeting place for club members and other community groups |
|                        | - Cleaned up cans and trash in Kilgore   |
| Northside Ramblers     | - Planted flowers in front of the Cherry County Extension Office and Fairgrounds                               |
|                        | - Went Christmas caroling at the hospital  |
| Pony Lake Pals         | - Helped Spring Clean 4-H Camp at Halsey   |
|                        | - Planted flowers at Pony Lake National Wildlife Refuge  |
| Sandhills Jr. Ranchers | - Repainted area trash barrels   |
|                        | - Put up a new 4-H Sign in Community   |
| Sandhillers            | - Helped serve lunch to B.R.A.N. riders  |

### ADULT LEADERSHIP AWARDS

Tom Higgins, Chairperson  
4-H Council

NORTH CENTRAL LEADERS FORUM - 2 Leader's Registration - Kathy & Lauren Boeckenhauer  
Fargo, ND Scholarships Hills and Trails 4-H Club

### LEADERSHIP AWARDS

Mick Glaze & Lynda Radant  
Extension Agents

The Award of the Clover is designed to honor adult local volunteers for specific years of service to 4-H club work. The 4-H'ers and parents of all Cherry County join in recognizing the following leaders for their unselfish sharing of time, talents and resources. Sponsor: 4-H Council

#### Award of the Bronze Clover - 2 Year:

✓ Kathy Boeckenhauer  
✓ Lauren Boeckenhauer  
✓ Marilyn Bush  
✓ Joyce Cadwallader  
✓ Lou Christiansen  
✓ Cheri Ebert  
✓ Joe Ebert  
✓ RoseAnn Elliott

✓ Cathy Emrick  
✓ Mavis Fleming  
✓ Bernard Galey  
✓ Frank Hill  
✓ Ginger Hill  
✓ Jan Joseph  
✓ Stan Klug  
✓ Paul McDaniel

✓ Paula Marshal  
✓ Jon Noeldner  
✓ Lana Peterson  
✓ Betsy Poe  
✓ Jerry Poe  
✓ Jack Ravenscroft  
✓ Jan Ravenscroft

#### Award of the Silver Clover - 5 Years

✓ Janet Gale  
✓ Ken Stephens

✓ Marilyn Stephens  
✓ Priscilla Wobig

#### Award of the Gold Clover - 10 Years

✓ Candi Dusenberry

✓ Anne Vaughn

#### Special Recognition:

Ken Wheeler - 19 years

Barb Gale - 22 years

## RECORD BOOK AWARDS

A 4-H project is not complete until the final project record is completed. 4-H record keeping teach life skills that provide 'benchmarks' for learning and growth. It takes special dedication and perserverance to learn those skills.

Special recognition is provided to the following 4-H'ers that five the project that extra effort by compiling an accumulative record call, "Building Your 4-H Record". The Cherry county 4-H Council sponsor the following awards:

The following list if of the Cherry County 4-H'ers that diligently filled out the "Building Your Record" forms and applied for special incentives and awards. By learning the record and bookkeeping skills they all become winners!

### BOOK-IT-AWARDS

Record Book-It-Recognition . . . . . Valentine Pizza Hut  
Mike Blair, Manager

Bobby Arnold  
Chris Arnold  
Leah Boeckenhauer  
Ashley Brown  
Dee Jaye Burgess  
Jodi Burgess  
Marty Daniels  
Anna Ebert  
Janet Ebert  
Jennifer Hoffmann  
Katie Ann Joseph  
Kayla Kudrna  
Scott Peterson

Jordan Pitkin  
Justin Pose  
Levi Poe  
Renee Poe  
Erin Lynn Radant  
Crystal Ravenscroft  
Jess Ravenscroft  
Frances Shields  
Kendra Stephens  
Gwyn Vaughn  
Leanna Vaughn  
Kristina Weber  
Keri Young  
Ryan Radant

Record Book Awards . . . . . Carol Wobig, Chairperson  
Awards & Incentive Committee

Best First Year Record Book

Best Record Book - Girls 8-10

Best Record Book - Boys 8-10

Best Record Book - Girls 11-13

Best Record Book - Boys 11-13

Best Record Book - Under 14 Years



1988 COUNTY MEDAL, DISTRICT AND STATE AWARD WINNERS . Carolyn Schneider, Chair  
Awards & Incentives Committee

ACHIEVEMENT - Ford Motor Company Fund

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \* \_\_\_\_\_

AG ACHIEVEMENT - Case IH

1. \* \_\_\_\_\_

BEEF - Wrangers Jeans

1. \* \_\_\_\_\_

CLOTHING - Coats & Clarks

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \* \_\_\_\_\_

CONSERVATION - Deere & Company

1. \_\_\_\_\_

CONSUMER EDUCATION - Nabsco Biscuit  
Company

1. \* \_\_\_\_\_

ENTOMOLOGY - Mobay Corporation  
Ag Chemical Division

1. \_\_\_\_\_

FASHION REVUE - Simplicity Pattern  
Company, Inc.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

FOODS/NUTRITION - The General Foods  
Fund, Inc.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

HORSE - American Quarter Horse  
Association

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

LEADERSHIP - Fireston Trust Fund

1. \* \_\_\_\_\_

LET'S CREATE CRAFTS -

1. \_\_\_\_\_

PHOTOGRAPHY - Eastman Kodak Company

1. \_\_\_\_\_

PLANT/SOIL SCIENCE - National 4-H  
Council

1. \_\_\_\_\_

SHEEP - American Sheep Producers  
Council

1. \_\_\_\_\_

WILDLIFE/FISHERIES - Jeep Corporation

1. \_\_\_\_\_

JUNIOR LEADERS - District Winner Receives  
\$85 Event Voucher

1. \* \_\_\_\_\_

STATE FORESTRY WINNER TO  
NATIONAL 4-H CONGRESS IN CHICAGO  
- International Paper Foundation

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
Living Legacy Presentation for representing  
Cherry County 4-H'ers at National Congress  
County Sponsor - Anonymous

Selected to Interview at State Level  
for: Invitational Events -

1. \_\_\_\_\_

Selected to Interview at State Level  
for: National 4-H Conference -

1. \_\_\_\_\_

I DARE YOU AWARD -

"I Dare You" Committee of the American  
Youth Foundation, St. Louis MO

1. \_\_\_\_\_

OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO 4-H AWARD  
Knights of AK-SAR-BEN

1. \_\_\_\_\_

4-H CONFERENCE SCHOLARSHIP -

1989 Conference will be called: EXPOVisions  
July 12-14, 1989, Lincoln

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_, alternate

\*Records selected for District Competition for State Awards.

# 4-H TROPHY AND AWARD DONORS - 1988

AWARD	DONATED BY	RECIPIENT
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HORSE		
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Champion Jr. Showman	T-Bone Club	David Nelson
Reserve Champion Jr. Showman	CJ's Nickelodeon	Scott Peterson
Champion Sr. Showman	Carroll Peterson	Jackie Qualley
Reserve Champion Sr. Showman	Jerry Battershaw Repair	Becky Nielsen
Yearling Halter	Jerry Shelbourn	Dane Nielsen
2 Year Old Halter	Bud & Judy Reece	Jason Nielsen
Jr. Horsemanship	Rex Adamson Family	Misti Jo Elliott
Sr. Horsemanship	Helen Adamson	Ardith Dusenberry
3 Year Old Halter	Elmer & Nora Barnes	John Wharton
4 & 5 Year Old Halter	Corner Market	Matt Elliott
Jr. Poles	Bud & Judy Reece	Misti Jo Elliott
Sr. Poles	Clair & Gertrude Foster	Arlita Klug
Jr. Barrels	Doug Crouse Family	Craig Klug
Sr. Barrels	Youngs, Inc.	Aimee Dusenberry
Snaffle Bit Pleasure	Dick & Cindy Perrett	Jackie Qualley
Champion Sr. Showman	Carroll Peterson	Jackie Qualley
Pleasure - Jr. Horse/Jr. Rider	Metro-Midlands Inc.	Matt Elliott
Pleasure - Jr. Horse/Sr. Rider	Elliott's Office Supply	Jackie Qualley
Pleasure - Sr. Horse/Jr. Rider	Bernard & Lovella Miles	Scott Peterson
Pleasure - Sr. Horse/Sr. Rider	Home Oil & Cafe	Becky Nielsen
Reining - Jr. Horse/Jr. Rider	Megan Sue Henderson	Misti Jo Elliott
Reining - Jr. Horse/Sr. Rider	Jerry Adamson Family	Jackie Qualley
Reining - Sr. Horse/Jr. Rider	Bruce & Betty Ormesher	Matt Blackford
Reining - Sr. Horse/Sr. Rider	Ken Wheeler	Jackie Qualley
Trail - Jr. Horse	Richard & Lois Sokol	Jackie Qualley
Trail - Sr. Horse	Dean Soles Family	Jackie Qualley
Good Sportsmanship	Anonymous	Frances Shields
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LARGE LIVESTOCK		
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Champion Sr. Cattle Showman	Lawrence Turner & Family	Aimee Dusenberry
Champion Jr. Cattle Showman	Lawrence Turner & Family	Jessica Bush
Champion 1st Year Showman	VIT-E-MEN Inc.	Tami Young
Champion Stocker Feeder Steer	Richard & Lois Sokol	Kevin Heath
Reserve Champion Stocker Feeder Steer	Roger Chenoweth Family	Chastidy Krueger
Champion Angus Breeding Heifer	Darlings Nutrition	
Champion Hereford Breeding Heifer	Colburn Tire Shop	Kendra Stephens
Champion Market Beef	Sandhills Cattle Association	Cody Gale
Champion Stocker Feeder Heifer	James Butler, DVM	Becky Heath
Reserve Champion Stocker Feeder Heifer		
Champion Breeding Ewe	Archie Tate and Sons	Aimee Dusenberry
Champion Market Lamb	Corner Market	Kristina Weber
Champion Wool Lamb	Vahrenkamp Herefords	Kristina Weber
Champion Jr. Sheep Showman	Ray Bacon Repair	Melissa Stephens
Champion Sr. Sheep Showman	Delbert's Plumbing & Heating	Melissa Stephens
	Delbert's Plumbing & Heating	Kendra Stephens



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## LARGE LIVESTOCK CONT.

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Champion Market Gilt  
Champion Market Barrow  
Champion Jr. Hog Showman  
Champion Sr. Hog Showman  
Dairy Goat - Best Dressed Kid  
Dairy Goat - Under 2 Years -  
    Milking Doe  
Dairy Goat - Under 1  
    Year of Age  
Champion Goat Showman

Bud Stolzenburg  
Bud Stolzenburg  
Elmer & Nora Barnes  
Elliott's Office Supply  
Patty Lutter

First National Bank

Darlings Nutrition  
Barb Reed

Tammy Ketelsen  
April Ketelsen  
Kristin Wobig  
Echo Eisley  
Misti Jo Elliott

No entries

J.D. Daniels  
J.D. Daniels

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## SMALL ANIMALS

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Champion Small Fryer Rabbit  
Champion Large Fryer Rabbit  
Champion Rabbit - Jr. Breeder  
Champion Rabbit - Sr. Breeder  
Champion Jr. Rabbit Showman  
Champion Sr. Rabbit Showman  
Best of Show - Rabbits  
Champion Turkey  
Best Trio Poultry - Crossbred  
Best Trio Poultry - Standard  
Best Exhibit of Poultry - 3  
Best of Show - Poultry  
Champion Duck  
Champion Geese  
Champion Poultry Showman  
Best of Show - Cat  
Champion Cat  
Champion Kitten  
Champion Cat Showman  
Top Small Animal Exhibitor  
Champion Beginning Novice Dog  
Champion Novice Dog  
Champion Dog Showman

Joe Ebert  
Valentine Feed Service  
Ogle Feed Company  
Ogle Feed Company  
Farmers/Ranchers Coop.  
Steele Feed Service  
James Butler, DVM  
Joe Ebert  
Steele Feed Service  
Valentine Feed Service  
Valentine Feed Service  
Susan Reenders, DVM  
Steele Feed Service  
Valentine Feed Service  
Farmers/Ranchers Coop.  
John Black, DVM  
Steele Feed Service  
Valentine Feed Service  
Farmers/Ranchers Coop.  
Jim Strong  
Susan Reenders, DVM  
Keith Dusenberry Family  
Valentine Feed Service

Tadd Buechle  
No entries  
Dustin Wheeler  
Dustin Wheeler  
No entries  
Dustin Wheeler  
Misti Jo Elliott  
Cody Foster  
Matt Elliott  
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Dustin Wheeler  
Dustin Wheeler  
Becky Heath  
Dustin Wheeler  
Cody Foster  
Matt Blackford  
Nate Blackford  
Nate Blackford

## SPECIAL THANKS

Bob Pilfold and Louie Lopez for donating equipment and supplies for  
a 4-H Lunchstand!

Other sponsors, donors, and supporters are listed in the program by award and incentive.



## Major Programs Conducted '87-88

### Home Economics

Cherry County - FY '88

Lynda Radant

Nebraska Council of Home Extension Clubs - Executive Board - The second year of my appointment as Agent Director - Dist. G & H was spent helping direct the Great Nebraska Family Committee state program and acting as liason between the NCHEC Board and the Cooperative Extension Association - Agents Section for agent nominees. I attended three state meetings in Lincoln, North Platte, and Scotts Bluff, and one District meeting in Ainsworth. (Expenses paid by N.C.H.E.C.)

Eating Today for a Healthier Tomorrow - A six weeks series of nutritional meetings to encourage healthier eating to prevent cancer, heart disease and lower calories and cholesterol was held in Valentine during October and November. The response was excellent with 10 regular participants and requests to do the program in West - Cherry County. Staff shortage prevented the "re-run" but plans will be made for 1989.

New Waves in Cooking - Leader Training lesson encouraged 24 club leaders and publics to attend ever popular microwave sessions. Lower calorie cooking and the use of meats in microwaves was promoted.

Making Our World a Better Place - This ready-to-go program was delivered to a new audience of the Valentine Garden Club. The lesson helped members focus on a community improvement project and put the plan into action. Very well received.

Taking Time For Yourself - Leader Training was provided for Home Extension Club members and Mailbox Members. The program provided positive, easy-to-use tips for time/self management and how to get "unstuck". Members were very positive in their reports back that they were very pleased someone had given them permission to make time for themselves.

My Home...Today and Tomorrow - Extensive work was done with the (Cherry County) Social Services office and the Ministerial Association in backgrounding for presenting this lesson. Information was then provided to approximately 200 Extension Club members. Reactions to the lesson were mixed from reports saying the lesson didn't apply because we didn't have that type of housing available to our area (which is why the lesson was presented at an awareness level); to responses of sincere appreciation for presenting new concepts in housing. It is hoped a more complete listing of resources/services for the aging can be published locally for area residents.

Water Quality - leader training was presented as an effort to provide a uniform educational base for understanding Cherry County's water quality - emphasis on residential water. A water resource coalition was formed and agencies identified various areas of expertise and management. A water quality learning center was established in the Extension Office when sample bottles and Learn-At-Home Water Quality packets were distributed. Extensive media coverage was provided to encourage water sample data baseline information gathering and mapping.

Turning Ideas and Projects into Profits - leader training lesson was provided by Anita Keys, Central Sandhill Home Economist (in exchange for Water Quality lesson in Central Sandhills). The lesson was deemed successful in providing usually - overlooked - information when establishing a business and gave a total picture of business costs to those thinking of starting arts/crafts ventures.

Coping With Today's Fabrics - provided new information on new fibers and clothing materials consumers are seeing on the market...such as Ramie. Many consumer dollars were saved due to educating proper laundry/care techniques.

#### Other Community Services

Keya-Paha Cherry Counties Developmental Services - for mentally handicapped citizens were provided educational materials in grooming, nutrition and basic clothing skills from the Cherry County Extension Service. I served as a member of the Behavior Modification committee.

Citizens Education Council for Abused-Neglected Children - Extensive research on books and materials were provided by a committee I served on to purchase educational books and media for distribution in the Cherry County and Brown-Rock County libraries.

Community Development Committee - met early Tuesday mornings for the purpose exploring and expanding economic opportunities and options. I served on the Video marketing committee and also served as liason with Extension programs and Managing Mainstreet.

## 4-H PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Lynda Radant  
November 1988

4-H Activities for 1987-88 were subdivided between Ag and Home Economics after the resignation of the Cherry County 4-H Assistant in October. The resignation and vacancy of the Ag Agent position (5 months) and training/orientation of the new Ag Agent forced most of the 4-H programming leadership to the Home Economics agent and 4-H Council Committee chairpersons. Despite the lack of agent expertise and shortage of time to cover all areas of Extension programming, positive leadership and committee responsibilities were strengthened. Program accomplishments include:

Pumpkin Patch Food Stand - Fund Raiser - major fundraising for the 4-H Council expenses and 4-H awards program were provided by a food stand at a Craft Show sponsored by the Sandhill Home Economists. The October 1987 provided the usual \$400+ funds while 1988 was considerably down.

Awards Judging of 4-H Record Books - was on a decline for 1987 with only six applying for Top Achiever status. Drastic revision and award clarification was put back to the thirteen 4-H Council committees. Radant then assembled a booklet of all 4-H Awards and Incentives for Cherry County - Awards in October '89 were up and Achievement Night Soup and Pie Supper was deemed a huge success.

National 4-H Congress - was attended by this agent as N.C.E.A. - Agent Sponsor. Extensive interviewing of State and National winners helped background this agent for assisting Cherry County 4-H members assemble awards. Leanna Vaughn was announced as second state winner in the 4-H Forestry program and will attend 1988 Club Congress in Chicago.

4-H Clothing Projects - received emphasis in 1988 with redefinition of awards, S.O.S. packets of sewing hints, curriculum flow and leader assistance at 4-H Leader Training in February. 4-H Home Ec Skill Day emphasized beauty makeovers - modeling and building self-concept skills.

4-H Dog Training - programs by Pastor Doug Fusselman proved popular again this year for both 4-H and Adult audiences. A training fee was charged with proceeds being held for the eventual purchase of dog show equipment.

4-H Speech - Music - Talent - contests were all combined for a record setting attendance of 75 people! The new approach proved popular with 4-H'ers and parents and will be recommended for 1989 again.

Tractor Training - was conducted by Greg Nollette, Vo Ag Instructor - Valentine Rural High School during the absence of an Ag Agent. Fifteen youth were certified in the two day training session at the Cherry County Fairgrounds. Materials and AV's were furnished by the Cherry County Extension Office.

Horse Skill Day - resulted from Horse Leaders training and 4-H council action to require first and second levels of the Horse Advancement levels for County Fair participation. A total of 23 - Level 1's and 14 Level 2's were attained making it the highest proportion per project ever in Cherry County. (See supporting story in Annual Report.)



4-H Interview Judging - was conducted by three hired judges at the Cherry County Fair for a second year. The day progressed smoothly with many favorable comments from parents and leaders.

Handicapped in 4-H - a special display at the Nebraska State Fair helped promote the concept of including handicapped youth in 4-H clubs. (See special display story.)

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MARCH-APRIL 1988

## 4-H CALENDAR

Here it is! The first 4-H calendar for 4-H families in Cherry County! The calendar includes deadline dates and activity schedules for 1988.

Your 4-H family can use it to record your 4-H feed records, 4-H recipes made or other record keeping activities. Even the events of the 1988 Cherry County Fair are written in for your advanced planning!

We plan to hold fast to the dates and deadlines; especially with all this advance notice, so please read and note some changes that have been made through the 4-H committees.

## PUBLIC SPEAKING, MUSIC, & TALENT

Saturday morning, April 9 will be the Public Speaking, Music and Talent Contest. Check last month's Cherry PIT for details.



VOLUNTEER DAY - APRIL 30

The State 4-H Camp at Halsey is planning a day to spruce up our 4-H camp. A free meal will be provided to workers and maybe some time to canoe after the work is done...What a fun club Service project that would be!

## NEW ENROLLMENT FORMS

Enrollment for Cherry County 4-H Club members and leader has changed this year. The new 4x6 self-carboning cards have been designed for members and project leaders to fill out and sign. The organizational leader will keep the paper copy and send the cardboard copy into the office by May 2.

Note: There is only one project enrollment day, May 2 or before. Projects cannot be changed or dropped after that time.

If 4-H members have more projects than can be listed on one card, use two cards and note "1 of 2 cards".

## SHIRT-TALES

Do you have some outgrown white, long sleeve shirts at your house? Would you like to trade with some one else for a larger size or reduce your stock of "too small" shirts?

The closet at the Extension Office has several shirts available. Check it out!

## 4-H LEADER DATES

North Central 4-H Volunteer  
Leader Forum  
October 20-23, Fargo ND

Black Hills Leadership  
Conference  
September 28-30, Pierre SD



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## PSEUDORABIES CONTROL ACT

There are some very crucial requirements for Swine projects that will be exhibited at the County Fair. Efforts between local vets, the County Fairboard and 4-H families are being pursued to make the testing work out smoothly.

Read the Livestock ID Guide Lines insert. If you do not have a copy and would like one, please contact the Extension Office.

## NEW DISPLAY CASES

Thanks to JoKay and Johnny Sam Harms at the China Shop for providing an opportunity to get a good deal on display cases for 4-H exhibits!

The 4-H Council will be taking donations from clubs and individuals to pay for the cases and wheels for them.

Would you or the club like to contribute?



## HORSE CHANGES!

Advancement levels are being considered by the 4-H Council to help riders improve and grow into the project. This is being required in many Nebraska counties and helps level out the competition on District and State competition.

Read the...Livestock ID Guidelines insert.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING...?

Northside Ramblers had a fun sweatshirt painting workshop... Trailblazers were the first 4-H'ers to get their enrollment cards in!...Top Gun Shooting Sports Club has 9 graduates from the Hunter Safety course and are now aiming to help with a "Shoot Out" at County Fair. There's a new 4-H Club called the Kilgore Westernaires - WELCOME! A suggestion/ballot box is being "woodworked" by the Sparks Livewires for Extension Office use.

4-H Clubs secretaries should remember to send a copy of the minutes to the Extension Office and include a list of the officers!



## GARDEN WEEK POSTER CONTEST

The second National Garden Week Poster contest is cosponsored by the National Junior Horticultural Association and the National Garden Bureau. Last year's contest was a smashing success. Over 475 children entered posters. The winner last year was Damion K. Raymond of Liberty, Texas. His award winning poster showed his whole family gardening. All youth are encouraged to enter the poster contest.



## Rules and Regulations

- 1) Ages 5 to 9 years old.  
Only one entry per child.
- 2) Drawing size must be 8 1/2"x11".
- 3) Place child artist's name, age, date of birth and address on the back of the poster entry.
- 4) Drawing must be an original color work based on the theme "Together We Work, Together We Grow".
- 5) Enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope with each entry. The winner will be notified by July 1, 1988.
- 6) Entries will not be returned. The National Junior Horticultural Association reserves the right to use the drawings for publicity purposes.

Entry deadline is April 29, 1988.

Mail rolled up in a tube to:  
Cherry County Extension  
Service  
PO Box 48  
Valentine NE 69201

National Garden Week is  
April 10-16, 1988.

Making the best better with you,

*Lynda Radant*

Lynda Radant  
Extension Agent Chair



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## May 1988

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SEWING MANUALS CORRECTION  
4-H CAMPS-ALL KINDS!  
DONORS  
PREMIUM LIST UPDATE AVAILABLE  
STATE FAIR FEES  
NEBR. HERITAGE FAIR  
ADULT INFORMATION  
\*\*CELEBRATE NEBRASKA\*\*  
NOTE FROM TOM DILL  
HORSE FOR SALE  
RECORD BOOK CHANGES  
"HAPPENINGS"

#### Horse Packet

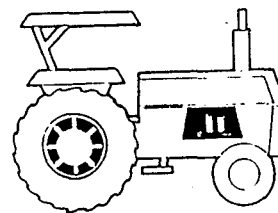
New this year is all the information you need on horses included in one packet! Each 4-H "Horse Family" and leader will receive key information packets on all updates, changes, show schedules, and Dist./State Horse Show entries and Horse Camp.

If you did not receive this packet and need one, contact the Extension Office immediately!

#### New Ag Agent

July 1 will be the starting date for Cherry County's new Ag. Agent, Mick Glaze. Mick is from Oberlin, Kansas and brings lots of farm/ranch and Extension experiences with him.

We are looking forward to welcoming Mick, his wife, Linda and two boys, ages 2 and 6 to Cherry County!



#### Tractor Training

All youth 14 to 16 years are required to pass a Tractor Safety test if they will be working for someone other than their parents. The training will be held May 23 and 24 at the Cherry County Fairgrounds.

Participants are asked to bring a lunch. Registration will be \$10 and includes all manuals and training materials.



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## No More Futurity

The annual "Futurity" for Home Economics Judging Team winners has been cancelled this year. Plans are being made to change the format into a tour type event. Ideas from 4-H youth and leaders/parents are welcomed.

## Leadership Conference

Leadership is the theme for the 1988 State 4-H Conference June 13 - 17 in Lincoln. Youth attending will work with other teens on "Code Words" concerning different aspects of Leadership. Monday will cover communication; management on Tuesday; team work on Wednesday; and motivation on Thursday and Friday. Dan Clark will be the featured speaker on Thursday evening. Motivation will be his topic.

And don't forget the traditional moments of fun, dances, banquets, and swimming parties. The youth will also be divided into "countries" so they can compete in the "Conference Olympics".

So join in the fun at State 4-H Conference. Registrations are due May 24 in the extension office.

## Beauty Lou & the Country Beast

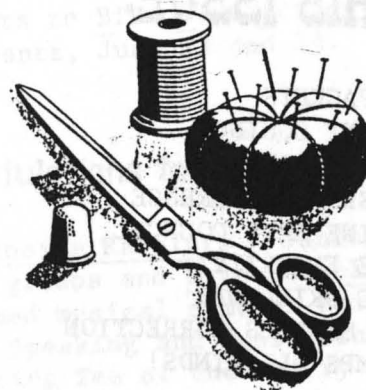
The Valentine Arts Council is sponsoring Missoula Children's Theatre. Beauty Lou and the Country Beast is a country-western adaption of the classic tale of Beauty and the Beast.

Fifty talented youngsters, grades K-12, are needed for the production. Assistant Directors are also needed to work backstage and throughout the week of June 6-11.

The production is Saturday, June 11 at Valentine Rural High School. For more information, contact Mary Jo Jeffers at 376-3578.

## Home Economics Skill Day

Ever read a magazine and wish you could have a complete "make-over"? Well, Cherry County 4-Her's (girls and boys) will have the opportunity on July 7 !!!



## Sewing Manuals Correction

Clothing - Level I (4-H 223)

Correct the words labeling each picture on page 8. From top to bottom it should read:

Fiber, Yarn and Fabric  
# # #

An error has also been discovered on the pattern of Sewing for Fun. On the front page of the pattern where it shows measuring the straight of grain EXTEND THE RULER LINES OF THE ARROW. You must measure from the grain line arrow to the selvage to determine if the pattern is on straight.



## TAKE A FRIEND



## MAKE A FRIEND!

### 4-H Dist. Camp - Halsey

District 4-H Camp for 8-13 year olds is set for June 8-10 at State 4-H Camp at Halsey. A complete description of the camp activities is included on the brochure for District Camp age families.

### Natural Resource & Leadership Camp

NRL is for teens (13 years and older). Participants choose one of the following workshops, natural resources, communications, photography, high adventure as area of in-depth study. Campers will also participate in leadership sessions throughout the week, as well as a variety of free time activities. Registration fee is \$80.00. Applications and a detailed NRL brochure is available at the county Extension Office. June 20-24

### Family Weekend Camp

So your children are bored with "nothing to do"! Well, get with it--- it is time to do something together as a family. Strong families plan activities and do things together. This special family weekend will give your family a chance to play together - - through horseshoes, canoeing or tubing, volleyball, and hiking. A chance to explore nature together - camping, hiking through the forest, and studying Sandhills wildlife and plants. And a chance to communicate with each other - through songs, campfires ceremonies, and workshops to help strengthen the family, your family. - July 15-17

Contact Nancy Ryman at the Halsey State 4-H Camp for more information.

## "Celebrate Nebraska"

## State 4-H Camp!

Nebraska National Forest, Halsey NE

### Backpack Camp

Put on your hiking shoes, grab your sleeping bag and join the crowd. Backpackers spend a night and a day deep in the Nebraska National Forest along the Dismal River. Learn new skills in camping and improve your awareness of the forest and river ecology.- June 17-19

Camp furnishes backpacks, tents and food. Bring a friend and meet several more when you arrive. Cost is \$32.50.



## Display Case Donations

The 4-H Council will still accept donations for display cases.

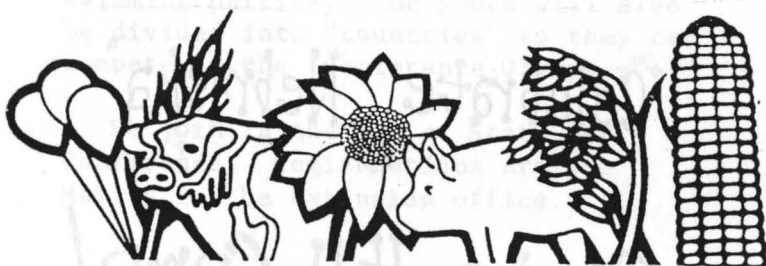
THANK YOU to the Gordon Valley 4-H Club for donating \$35 for the cases!

THANK YOU to the Table Top Talent Extension Club for a \$25 donation!

THANK YOU to Cherry Homemakers Extension Club for a \$10 donation in addition to the County Fair prizes they always provide, too!

## County Fair Premium List

The 1988 Premium List is almost at the print shop. If you have a question on new project entries, call the Extension Office.



## State Fair Contest Fees

The entry fees for contest events for the Nebraska State Fair have been released. We have two sponsors already so please say thanks when you see these 4-H FRIENDS!

Judging & Engineering Contests -

\$3.50 per person per contest

Music Contest -

\$15.00 per group

Presentations Contest -

\$3.50 per person per contest

Home Economics Judging Team - Cherry

County Home Extension Council

Jr. & Sr. Livestock Judging Teams -

Wishbone Herefords (Beyea's)



July 9 - 13, 1988

## Nebraska Heritage Tour

This new opportunity for 4-H'ers 11-14 yrs of age highlights unique Nebraska attractions and will focus on the heritage and diversity of the Cornhusker State. This five day bus tour is set for July 9 - 13 and is open to the FIRST 45 APPLICANTS from the entire state! Estimated cost is \$125-175 depending on the number of participants.

Too expensive you say? What about asking your 4-H councils for help? OR better yet, help the councils raise the money!

Trip highlights include: Henry Doorly Zoo in Omaha; Tour of the State Capitol, Elephant Hall and the Planetarium in Lincoln; Ride the Spirit of Brownville Riverboat; Visit Arbor Lodge and John Brown's Cave in Nebraska City; Tour Willa Cathers Home; Tour Fort Kearney; Pioneer Village; Buffalo Bill's Ranch and tour Stuhr Museum in Grand Island.

Registrations and a \$50.00 deposit are due in our office by May 25th. Notifications of acceptance will be sent to applicants by June 15. Registration fees are non-refundable after July 1.

Call the Extension office for more information.

# For Adults Only!



## 4-H Accident Insurance

Nebraska is fortunate to have volunteer 4-H Leaders identified as staff covered under the Board of Regents liability policy. This is extremely important to the 4-H volunteer movement. It does not however, negate the responsibility of 4-H Leaders to use common sense in working with youth. The Board of Regents policy is not accident insurance.

Accident insurance for club members is available on a yearly basis for \$1.00 per member. Horse clubs and motorcycle clubs are \$2.00/member. Contact the office for an application brochure. Numerous companies offer similar plans.

This company currently offers accident coverage for our camps and centers at affordable costs. Today's legalistic society places new responsibilities on anyone entrusted with the lives of others, especially young folk. I encourage your consideration of this insurance. The cost may seem high, but compared to what we're now paying for camp insurance (\$.25 per day per person) the one dollar per member per year is cheap. Consider offering your 4-H club the opportunity to purchase this insurance.



## Judge's Workshop

A 4-H Judge's Workshop will be held June 1, 1988 at Mid-Plains Community College, North Platte.

The training activities will include learnshops on Clothing, Photography, Home Environment, Foods, Home Ec. Misc./Posters, and Serging Techniques.

If you would like a ride, Lynda's planning on going. Join us for a fun day!

## Volunteer at State Fair

Adults and teens are needed to volunteer at State Fair for various activities. Some of you will be attending as a participant or chaperone, so volunteer a few hours at the fair!

Minimum is a four hour block of time to assist with such things as displaying exhibits, assisting judges, registering 4-H or assisting with judging events, style revue or livestock activities.

Give it a thought...and work your State Fair schedule in your plans... call the Extension Office.



## Commemorative Stamp

In 1990, 4-H will be celebrating its 75th anniversary. A movement is currently underway to convince the U. S. Postal Service that this event deserves a U. S. Commemorative Stamp. Because of the amount of time required to process requests for new stamps (approximately 18-24 months), it is imperative that the Postal Service hear from the 4-H community as soon as possible.

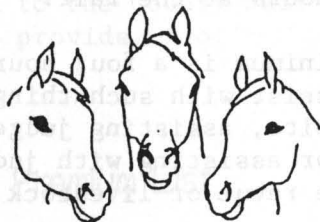
4-H members, parents, donors, and volunteers who would like to see a 4-H stamp issued should write to the following address indicating that they endorse the proposal for a commemorative 4-H 75th anniversary stamp. It is imperative that the committee hear from us in large numbers if we hope to see this stamp become a reality.

Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee  
U. S. Postal Service  
c/o Stamp Development Branch  
475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20260-6351

Thank you from Tom Dill

4-H Council & Extension Friends, Well, I'm here and we are pretty well settled in. I am on a study break so thought I better get this off to you. Thank you for the gift certificate, we used it and the steaks were great. I think about Cherry County often and pray that all is going well. I have had second thoughts about leaving, but it was something I had to do.

Good luck and I hope to see you in the future.



### Horse for Sale

Kathy Walz has an experienced 4-H Quarter Horse for sale.

Contact her at 402-823-4167

### Record Book Change

The 4-H Council passed a motion to recommend to all 4-Her's to turn their record books into the Extension Office by Sept. 30 this year. This helps the 4-H members, leaders AND agents to provide more assistance in reaching the goals of the project.

### Green Flash!



Have you seen those shiny green flashy clovers around the county?

It's a bird! It's a plane! No, it's ...Shane Wobig and Kris Weber wearing their new Top Achiever Jackets!

### 4-H Secretary's Report

We really appreciate those meeting minutes received in our office! Thanks, secretary's, for keeping us in the KNOW!

### What's Happening...

Kilgore Westernaires - cleaned the Town Hall. John Johnson spoke on record books and awards.

Gordon Valley - is making plans to clean the cemetery and donated \$35 for display cases.

Sandhill Jr. Randhers and Hills and Trails are making plans to serve refreshments to Bike Ride Across Nebraska participants, June 13 and 14.

### Congratulations to...

Northside Ramblers - Junior and Senior groups and Erin Fusselman performed musical numbers from the Public Speaking and Music Contest for the Spring Tea of the Cherry County Home Extension Council.

Katie Ann Joseph and Mart Monroe presented their speeches before the seventy people that night.

Thanks for sharing!



*Congratulations  
Graduates!*

Helping you Make the Best Better,

*Lynda Radant*

Lynda Radant  
Extension Agent - Chair  
Certified Home Economist



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JUNE 1988

Dates to add to your 4-H Calendar:

June 13 - Dog Practice - Fairgrounds  
July 7 - Home Ec Skill Day  
July 11 - Dog Practice - Fairgrounds  
July 10 - Range Judging Practice  
July 25 - Clothing - Judging - Style Revue  
Aug. 8 - Dog Practice - Fairgrounds  
Aug. 17 - 20 - Cherry County Fair

Additional flyers to this P.I.T. edition:

County Fair Schedule  
Basic Nutrients  
Livestock Activity Dates  
Home Economics Skill Day  
\*State Fair - Dog Judging Contest  
\*Shooting Sports Guidelines  
\*Photography Update  
\*Pseudorabies Regulations for Swine

### HOME ECONOMICS SKILL DAY

Ever wish you could have  
a beauty and fashion make-over?  
Ever wish you had more confidence  
in modeling or in standing up in  
front of others?

The 4-H Home Economics  
Committee has two special efforts  
this year to make Skill Day really  
fun!

Don't miss July 7 in the air-  
conditioned Valentine Rural High  
School. The day is open to all 4-H  
members, friends (who aren't in  
4-H), and any boy or girl interested!

See You the 7th!

### "The County Agent"

Based on a  
Saturday Evening Post  
illustration  
by Norman Rockwell



### NORMAN ROCKWELL & 4-H

The Nebraska 4-H Development Foundation  
is offering a limited edition of  
Collector Plates featuring the famed  
illustration of "The County Agent".  
The painting shows The County Agent  
examining a livestock 4-H Project  
while the rest of the family and  
barnyard looks on.

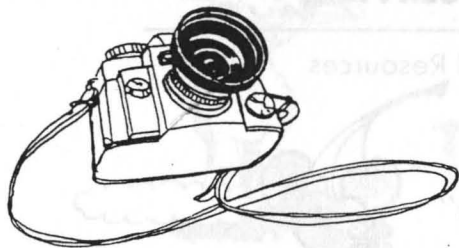
Individual plates (1/2 picture)  
can be ordered (\$30) or two plates  
within an enclosed frame (\$80).

Contact the Extension Office if you  
are interested in a color brochure  
and order form.



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## PHOTOGRAPHY UPDATE

If you are enrolled in the Photography project, you will find a 4-H Photography Update sheet enclosed. Great pointers!

If we missed you, by accident, call the office and request a Spring 1988 Photo Update sheet.



## HORSEMANSHIP LEVEL ACHIEVERS

Congratulations to some 4-H kids (and leaders-parents!) that are putting some extra effort to working on their HORSEMANSHIP ADVANCEMENT LEVELS!

This helps fortify the Cherry County 4-H goal of advancing the curriculum flow to 4-H projects . . . putting learning in the proper sequence!

Keep up the good work kids!

### Level I Horsemanship Achievers:

Tadd Buechle	Erin Radant
Anna Ebert	Ryan Radant
Janet Ebert	Lois Sokol
Jill Fleming	John Wharton
Heide Heerman	Dustin Wheeler
Jim Liddy	Sean Mulligan
Jack Liddy	Kristina Weber

### Level II Horsemanship Achievers:

Janet Ebert	Jack Liddy
Jeff Chenoweth	Jim Liddy
Heidi Heermann	Adam Neilsen
Lois Sokol	Aimee Dusenberry
Ryan Radant	Dustin Wheeler

More to come as soon as Feed and Breed reports are on file in the Extension Office.

## NEW CLOTHING EXHIBITS

New project manuals in the 4-H Clothing curriculum are causing changes in entries. The new County Fair premium books should be out soon, but for those of you wanting more explicit info NOW . . . here's the listing as it will appear in the premium book for 1988.

### Fashion Revue

#### Sewing for Fun:

1. Tote, Gym or Everything Bag
2. Simple Drindl Skirt
3. Other (agents approval)

#### Clothing Level I:

6. Simple pants, shorts or skirt
7. Simple pullover top/shirt
8. Simple vest

#### Clothing Level II: (Complete Outfit)

10. Top and Pants, shorts, skirt
11. Dress or Jumper with top OR Jumpsuit
12. Nightshirt, gown, pj's or robe
13. Jogging suit

(other divisions as last year.)

### County Fair - Interview Judging Entries

#### Sewing For Fun -

- Unit I:
1. Sewing Tool Box
  2. Needle Book
  3. Square Pincushion
  4. Heart Pincushion
  5. Wrist Pincushion
  6. Wrist Wallet

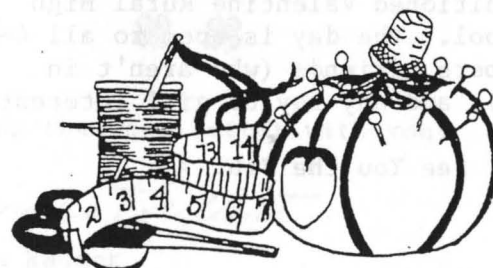
- Unit II:
7. Doll/Stuffed Toy Bag
  8. Everything Bag
  9. Tote Bag
  10. Quick Tote

11. Pillows (Stripe, Patchwork, Diagonal)

- Unit III:
12. Windsock

13. Gym Bag
14. Kite
15. Sew Fun Pillow
16. Simple Dirndl Type Skirt
17. Other (approval of County Agent)

Clothing Levels I and II same as Fashion Revue.



HORSE SCHOLARSHIP -  
JACKIE QUALLEY

Jackie Qualley is participating in the Equine Equities, Inc. Out-Reach Program. Anyone between the ages of 10-18 in Iowa or Nebraska and who love to show Quarter horses is eligible. Participants are responsible for the care, training and exhibition of a provided horse until Nov. 1, 1988 when the horses are returned. At that time, participants are evaluated on their scholastic performance, extracurriculars, community activities and earned points and honors the showman or horse has earned. A committee then selects a scholarship winner. Top finishers will receive cash scholarships and prizes worth in excess of \$1000.

Ask Jackie about more details!



FAMILY CAMP

A special weekend for families of all shapes and sizes will be held at State 4-H Camp at Halsey - July 16 and 17. Costs of the camp include meals, lodging, and insurance and prices vary according to size of family. The Extension Office has flyers on the camp, prices; reservations by July 10 deadline.



DOG PRACTICE DAYS

Carol Iske Leonard will be helping 4-H dog project members prepare for the County Dog Show the second Monday of every month at 7:30 at the fairgrounds.

Join us to practice or watch!

COUNTY FAIR CALENDAR

The Cherry County Fair Premium Books will be out soon. Enclosed is a copy of the County Fair Schedule for your ultimate planning.

Mark your 4-H calendar to correspond!

(Horsemen - read carefully!)



Beef - National Western Notice

Junior Market Beef Exhibitors for the 83rd National Western Stock Show, January 9-22 must submit nose prints and color photographs with their animals to the show entry office by August 1, 1988.

The actual entry deadline for all junior show livestock in the 1989 show in November 15, 1988.

Nose print cards will be sent by request only. Junior Show rules and entry forms may be obtained through the National Western Entry Department, 1325 E. 46th Avenue, Denver CO 80216, or by calling 303/297-1166 - Bill Saul.

The Market Heifer classification has been dropped for the 1989 show.

The National Western Market Beef Show is terminal only for entries that are selected for the Junior Auction of Champions.

Minimum weight limit for junior show market beef will be 1,000 pounds.

All animals must be owned and entered by an individual, and no animals may be owned in a partnership or registered in a ranch name.





Mary had a little lamb...

...and she led it all the way to State Fair. Both Mary and the lamb were wearing wool!

#### 4-H State Fair Sheep Lead Show

- entrant must be a 4-H sheep exhibitor with breeding ewe or yearling ewe
- entrants provide their own outfits, but need not be handmade (at least 50% wool.)
- Aim of Lead class is to present a stylish and becoming picture of elegance and prestige to wool.
- More details in the State Fair premium book - Extension Office.

#### BEST DRESSED KID CONTEST

A new entry at our County Fair (and Nebraska State Fair) is the Best Dressed Goat. Should be a fun division!

#### 4-H PRESENTATIONS

Saturday, August 6, will be the Cherry County 4-H Presentations Day. This is an excellent opportunity to share your project successes or work on Horse Advancement Level Demonstrations! Take this opportunity to round-out your 4-H record and earn special prizes!

The Extension Office has manuals that provide excellent instructions and tips. Ask for:

- The Basics of Beginning 4-H Presentations 4-H 190 .20
- Improving Your 4-H Presentation Skills 4-H 141 .20
- 4-H Presentations for a Purpose 4-H 142 .20
- Nebraska 4-H Presentations Program Leader's Guide 4-H 143 .20

#### WHAT'S NOT NEW IN FOODS -

Remember last year when the foods judge asked you 'what nutrients are found in...' your food entry? It's also a standard question for food related Presentations.

Enclosed for all 4-H Families is a basic fact sheet on NUTRIENTS and BASIC 5. The whole family can brush up on their nutrition basics - from horse/beef rations to family picnics!

#### READ and REMEMBER!

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The new Foods Judging Handbooks (4-H 207) are available for anyone preparing an exhibit for fair. Ask for your copy. (25¢ each)



#### Sugar, Vinegar and Lids...

Strange recipe? Whip up a batch of success! Those 4-H fair entries using C&H sugar and Ball Canning jars and lids are eligible for special prizes of sugar certificates, ball jars, lids and the Ball Canning Blue Books. Special entry tags will be available at County Fair.

Heinz Vinegar is making special grants and equipment purchase opportunities available for 4-H Clubs. See the enclosed flyer for more details!



Making the best better with you,

*Lynda Radant*

Lynda Radant  
Extension Agent Chair

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#### Calendar Dates

September 28 - Shooting Sports Training  
October 1 - COUNTRY/USE Photo Contest  
Day  
October 2-8 National 4-H Week  
October 10 - Stocker-Feeder Show  
October 20-23 North Central Leaders  
Forum  
November 5 - 4-H Achievement Night  
December 6 - "Baking Is Fun" Leader  
Training - North Platte



#### New Awards Booklet

Enclosed with the September P.I.T. is a booklet entitled Cherry County 4-H Awards and Incentives. This booklet contains information on how to assemble record books, what areas are sponsored and have awards, trips, scholarships and prizes and general incentives and grants for 4-H Clubs, too!

SAVE this booklet, as next year we may issue update pages rather than issuing complete booklets. Please read carefully and remember to share with the entire family!

(Let us know what you think of this booklet form. Did it help you or inspire you? We hope so!).

We wrote our book, now we challenge you to enter yours!

SEPTEMBER 1988



4-H Makes  
a World of  
Difference

#### Record Books Due

A new change by the Cherry County 4-H Council about record books is asking that every 4-H member turn in all their project record books for all projects.

You do not have to exhibit at county Fair to complete a project...the "project" is about what you've learned! Maybe you learned that next year you have to start earlier!

You can learn from all angles of all projects. That's what 4-H is all about!

Record books should have your leader's signature on them and must be in the office by September 30 (except Stocker Feeder). If you are submitting your records for awards, you need to put your best three year's records for that awards area, in with your "Building Your Records". (Due: September 30, also!)

Will your club reach 100% record book completion?

# "Challenge Issue"



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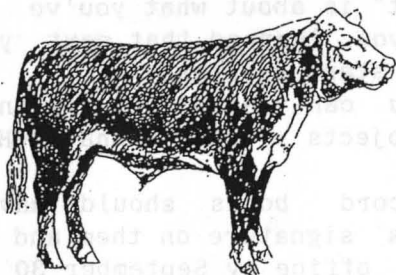


## STOCKER FEEDER SHOW & SALE

Enclosed is the information regarding the Sandhills Stocker Feeder Show and Sale, October 10. This year will be a combined show of Valentine and Bassett. Most of the entry rules are unchanged from last year. We have not been able to get all of the committee members together at one time as of this mailing so a few things could be subject to change. We'll let you know of any changes, when and if they are going to happen.

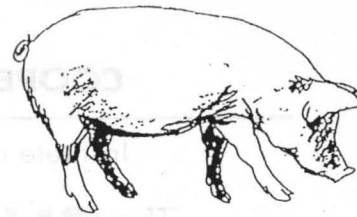
This is the first year for a combined show and the first Stocker-Feeder Show for the new Ag Agent so your cooperation to help things run smoothly would be greatly appreciated. Additionally FFA members are being invited to participate.

It does very little good to tell someone "this is not the way we've always done it", after you're already in the middle of doing it a new way. If you have suggestions or comment about how things should run please let us know early or in time for next year's show. We challenge you to make this the best Stocker Feeder Show ever!



### CONCRETE ENTRY WAY

Livestock exhibitors should have noticed the new concrete between the washbarn and the show barn. Please take time to thank those who were responsible. First to John O'Donnell, Al Kopejtko, Bill Sokol, and Dave Ketelsen for doing the digging, forming, and pouring; to Valentine Redi-Mix for delivering on Sunday. A special thanks to the Fair Board for paying for the concrete and rock. It's sure an improvement over what was there. So let these folks know you appreciate their efforts.



### Pseudorabies Testing

This year we were probably more lax on Pseudorabies testing than we should have been. We are going to have to tighten-up our procedures for entering swine at the County Fair. We can not allow this show to jeopardize the herd health of those producers who make a majority of their income from swine production. Yet we still want everyone with 4-H swine to be able to show. We will probably need for all swine to carry a positive ID, which should be a tattoo or ear notch. We'll need to have a Vet on the grounds to check health certificates and ID's when the animals are unloaded. If you have more thoughts on this please talk to one of the livestock committee members; So we can discuss it the next time we meet. Thanks for your cooperation.



### Super Special THANKS!

A special thank-you goes out to Louie Lopez and Bob Pilfold for donating equipment to the 4-H Council for a foodstand. The inventory included:

- a refrigerator
- deep freeze
- grill & electric hood fan
- hot dog cooker
- electric bun warmer
- paper products and supplies, and even flyswatters!

Special thanks to two very special  
Friends of 4-H!



### Co. Challenge!

Our County Fair Photography judge, Marilyn Williams of Ainsworth, is also a 4-H Leader. She called me and wants to issue a challenge to all Cherry County 4-H'ers to enter the Country/USA Photo Contest on October 1, 1988. Marilyn thinks Brown County 4-H'ers can beat Cherry County 4-H'ers.

(Of course, I said they couldn't! So, help me!)

October 1 is a Saturday so everyone can go out and get some good shots that day. And you may even be able to get some photo work for next year's photo project done early. (WOW! Wouldn't that shock your parents and leaders?)

You do not have to be currently enrolled in 4-H photography now to quality. Read the enclosed green sheet!



### State Style Revue Challenge

Ashley Brown and Erin Radant were helped at the State Style Revue and got to watch Susie Sedivy style in the State Revue for Cherry County.

They want to issue a challenge to 4-H'ers (boys, included!) to enter more clothing projects or at least Teens Shopping Smart so we can hit 100 Clothing Projects and have 2 State Fair Stylists!



### \$600 Tools, Seeds, & Equipment

For the eighth consecutive year, the National Gardening Association is providing \$600 grants to youth groups. Some of the guidelines are:

- youth between ages of 3-18 years
- minimum of 15 youth (band together with another club or school!)
- must focus on food gardening
- min. of 200 sq. ft.
- deadline November 15, 1988
- Official application available from Tommy Combs, Master Gardener, Extension Office, - Tuesday and Thursday afternoons -

### Banner Challenge

Northside Ramblers 4-H Club (Senior Girls) made a banner of their club to hang at the Cherry County Fair. The Home Extension Clubs did, too, and the exhibit hall really looked "dressed up".

Northside Ramblers challenges your club to make a banner and bring it to Achievement Night--November 5, Saturday.



### Say THANK YOU!

Have you said thank-you to your trophy donors? How about some special people that helped with some special projects? Or leaders, parents that took time to help in special ways?

Without donor help and volunteer's efforts, our 4-H program would be no where! If you can't remember if you wrote thank-yous, write again! Enclosing photos of your project area is a terrific way to keep sponsorship going and growing.

(Have you ever written a thank-you for all the 4-H ribbons and premium monies the Cherry County Fairboard has provided?!)

Who can write the most THANK YOU's? When you get your thank-you's written, turn in a numbered listing of everyone you sent a thank you to. A special prize will be given by an anonymous donor on Achievement Night to the 4-H'er with the highest number written! Go for it!



### Valentine Area Arts Council

Want a special Cultural Arts event for your club?

October 8 - 8:00 p.m. CT  
Dance Repertory Theatre of  
California State University  
October 30 - 4:00 p.m.  
Saint Louis Brass Quintet

## SHOOTING SPORTS

Those parents or leaders helping with Shooting Sports should plan to attend a Hunter Safety Training on September 28, 6:30 - 10:00 p.m. CT at the Cherry County Fairgrounds 4-H Building. Dick Turpin from Nebraska Game and Parks will conduct the session.



## Leader's Day Out

A special opportunity for 4-H Leaders in West Central Nebraska to meet other leaders in the area and improve their personal skills and knowledge of 4-H is the first annual "Leader's Day Out". This event will be presented in Broken Bow on November 3. Sessions start at 9:00 a.m. CT.

A series of workshops is planned each day including methods for working with kids in public speaking and presentations, ideas for recognizing youth and volunteers in the 4-H program, what effective volunteerism is all about, ways to communicate more effectively, a creative look at traditional club meetings, getting more publicity for the total 4-H program, and the indispensable volunteer.

Registration deadline is October 24 in the Cherry County Extension Office.



## North Central Leaders Forum

Kathy and Lauren Boeckenhauer from Wood Lake are making plans to attend the North Central Leaders Forum in Fargo, ND, October 20-23.

The program and sessions look fantastically interesting! Thanks Kathy and Lauren for volunteering to attend! (Bring home plenty of ideas to share with us for Leader Training Days!)

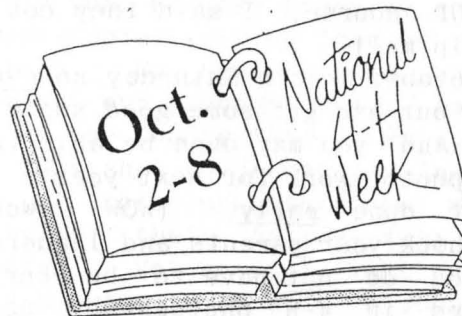


Meet the 4-H Challenge!

## National 4-H Week, October 2-8

The Public Relations Committee challenges each 4-H club to contact a business and put up a 4-H display during 4-H Week! Use your new club banner (hint-hint!) or display your County and State Fair exhibits or projects!

Let's let everyone know 4-H is the world's greatest youth organization!



## New Baking Project

A new beginning foods baking project will be available in 1989. Baking for Fun will be kicked off with a leaders and parent training day in North Platte. Let's plan for a carload of leaders to go and have fun! Mark your calendars for December 6.



## Most Popular Projects

Cherry County's most popular 4-H projects for 1988 looked like this:

Clothing	87
Beef	69
Foods	59
Horse	51
Shooting Sports	42
Woodworking	37
Photography	36

*Lynda*

Lynda Radant, C.H.E.  
Extension Agent Chair

*Mick*

Mick Glaze  
Extension Agent - Agriculture

# A WINTER TAIL



It had been a long, beautiful  
autumn in Cherry County.



Then another staff  
member "flew the  
Extension Office coop".



So the Extension Board met  
to decide the future staffing  
situation of the Cherry Co.  
Extension office.



THEY decided NOT  
to hire another 4-H  
assistant until October.



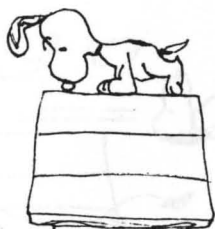
"Things" began to creep  
up and up on the  
Extension staff.





Pretty soon they felt very  
"snowed under".

(And not just outside!)



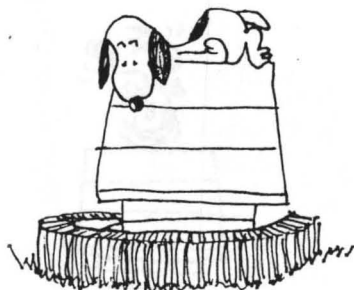
They decided a  
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UP THE OFFICE.



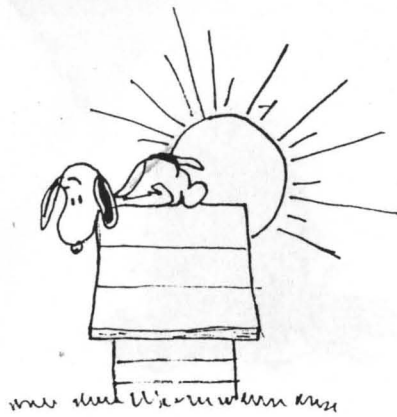
They almost had to  
camp out at the office!



After many, long  
nights...



files were cleaned out,  
reports caught up and  
"things" put in order again!



Things were beginning to  
look brighter in Cherry  
County!



So Lynda went to  
Chicago to National  
4-H Club Congress for  
seven days.



But 37 top-notch teenagers  
can really wear an old lady  
out!



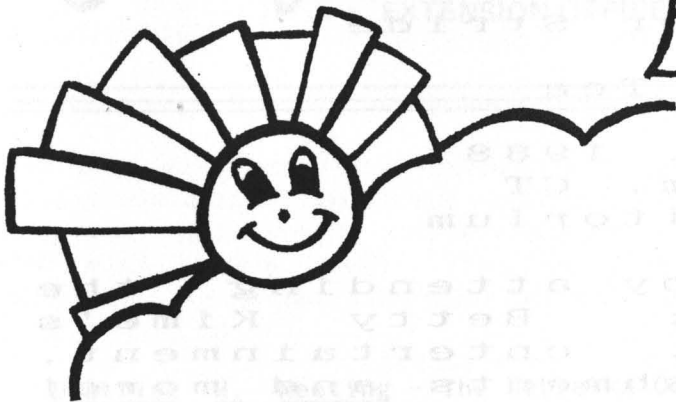
Meanwhile... back at  
the ranch...  
THINGS WERE HOPPING!



Cherry County is the  
GREATEST Place  
to be in 1988!

*Best wishes to the  
World's best ladies  
in 1988.  
Lynda R.*

# Homemaker Reflections



March 1988

Hi Extension Ladies,

I knew if we just stayed in Nebraska long enough there would be some good weather again. This was the first winter in a long time, we have actually been "snowed in". Thanks to a good neighbor for plowing us out.

As this is my first letter, maybe I'll tell you about myself. My husband Kenneth (everyone calls him Skinner) and I have been married 29 years in June. (One of those teen-age marriages that won't last!).

We have two daughters - Kelli and Robin.

Kelli married a Bridgeport, NE, boy, Don Weitzel. Don is an insurance broker with Old Northwest Insurance. Kelli graduated from Chadron State College with a degree in Criminal-justice. She is now employed in a jewelry store and working on a gemology degree. Guess she will put the two degrees together and catch jewel-thieves! They live in Knoxville, (far-away) Tennessee.

Robin, our youngest daughter, also lives in Knoxville where she is a Cosmotologist. We took her to Tennessee in June with "her" telling us she would stay until August. She loves the weather and doesn't miss the Snow at all.

We really miss them but we have to be happy they are well and out in the world making it on their own.

'Nuff said about "me and mine". Now on to important things.

Spring Tea is on its way! Prairie Flowers and Simeon Sandcherries will host the affair in Valentine at the High School Auditorium on the evening of April 18th.

Plans for the State Convention will be in Norfolk on June 8-10. Wouldn't it be nice for some of us to attend?

Don't forget Club Secretary's -- Club membership dues must be sent to Sandi Ormesher by April 1st.

I am looking forward to seeing you all at the Spring Tea. I'm not too good at getting the names of everyone but I'm sure that by the time my two years are up - You'll be on a first-name basis. That's just the way we are in Cherry County.

Your friend and neighbor,

*Connie Robertson*

Connie Robertson  
County Chairperson



# "Lengthen Your Stride"

## Spring Tea

April 18, 1988

7:00 p.m. CT

VRHS Auditorium

Enrich your life by attending the  
1988 Spring Tea; Betty Kime's  
European Travelog, entertainment,  
door prizes, refreshments and more!  
Bring a friend!

Know your Council! Officers for this year's Home Extension Council for Cherry County  
are:

President - Connie Robertson, Cody

Vice-President - Betty Quick, Valentine

Secretary - Priscilla Wobig, Cody

Treasurer - Sandi Ormesher, Valentine

### Council Committee Chairpersons:

Health and Safety - Carolyn Semin, Kilgore

Membership - Meredieth Daly, Merriman

Family Life - Afton Ellis, Valentine

Publicity - Brenda Daum, Valentine

Cultural Arts - Janet Laleff & Betty Hagen, Cody

County Fair - Gyla Bowden, Valentine

Citizenship - Mary Ward, Valentine

Nominating - Patty Colburn, Valentine

Family Community Leadership - Joan Beyea, Valentine

# OPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE

# Cherry County

EXTENSION OFFICE



Valentine, Nebraska 69201

Phone 376-1850

March 1988

District H. Meeting - The Nebraska Council of Home Extension Clubs will have their annual fall meeting at Halsey, State 4-H Camp. October 27. Let's get a large delegation to go and have fun with our neighbors we haven't seen since we hosted the State Convention! Mark your calendar...

District H. Meeting

October 27, 1988

State 4-H Camp

"Plant a Living Legacy" - is the theme in Nebraska for celebrating National Extension Homemakers Week on May 1-7, 1988. We hope to develop a Cherry County Council idea for celebrating this event. Here are some ideas you may want to discuss at club or with your neighborhood get-togethers: involve youth in a tree planting/preservation program; do tree maintenance or cemetery clean up, have a nursery or forestry speaker, plant flowers in a park, start an arboretum or check with the fairboard to see if we can't plant some trees at the Cherry County Fairgrounds

"Pioneer Picnic" - The annual event at the Cherry County Fair for Senior Citizens has been dropped by the Cherry County Ag Society. The drastic decline in attendance and the financial status of the Ag Society were cited as the major reasons. The "Picnic" was originally started by the Cherry County Home Extension Council to provide fellowship and sharing. The Valentine Senior Citizens Center now supplies that need on a daily basis.

Isn't it nice to see some of our projects outgrow themselves?

Cultural Arts Display - The 1988 N.C.H.E.C. categories for cultural arts are (1) Visual Arts: oils and acrylics, water colors, drawings; (2) Handstitchery: needlepoint, crewel, embroidery, counted cross-stitch, candlewicking, other; (3) Creative Writing: poem (limit 30 lines) or short story (limit 3000 words.)

The entries will be judged at the Cherry County Home Extension Council Spring Tea - April 18.

4-H Display Cases - 4-H projects will have safer and better visibility at the Cherry County Fair this year! Four cases of various sizes were purchased from the China Shop thanks to the Harms' considerations. The Cherry County 4-H Council will now be taking donations to cover purchase costs and castor wheels for the cases.

EXTENSION WORK IN "AGRICULTURE, HOME ECONOMICS AND SUBJECTS RELATING THERETO,"  
THE COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE, INSTITUTE OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES,  
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA-LINCOLN, COOPERATING WITH THE COUNTIES AND THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Aprons help plant a Cherry Tree - Remember those hostess gift aprons for "Convention" we all made? (How could you forget, you say!). Profit from the sale of the "extras" went to plant and maintain a Cherry Tree in Washington, D.C. If you are in Washington, D.C., April 6, please let us know immediately as we will have you represent the Cherry County Home Extension Council at a special recognition service by the National Parks Service. 610 trees were planted as a result of the "Blossoms of Our Future" program.

Your sewing efforts will live on in our Nation's Capital!

Celebrate '88 - Time to get into shape ladies! Valentine and Cherry County can help Nebraska Celebrate '88 - HOMECOMING! June 19-25 Cherry County will celebrate the old Blue Pole Hiway and other historic trails. Margaret Wilbur (Prang's) is searching for more info on all trails. Can you help her out? (Does anyone know more information about a Rosebud-Kilgore trail?) Part of Celebrate '88 is a Triathlon of running, biking and canoeing!

Ladies -- start your engines! (umm...tennis shoes!).

"The County Agent" - In 1948, Norman Rockwell honored 4-H with a painting in the Saturday Evening Post. The painting depicts a County Agent examining a livestock project while an anxious 4-H'er and family look on. Now, the Nebraska 4-H Development Foundation is offering a limited edition set of plates with any proceeds to be used for Nebraska 4-H. A flyer is enclosed for your information. (Personal note: I saw these on display in Chicago in December...they're gorgeous! Former Extension Home Economist, Betty Kime, reports she will be using some of her retirement money you presented to her to purchase a set for their enjoyment.)

Child Care Nebraska - A national public television outreach campaign entitled CHILD CARE AMERICA is underway to focus attention to the urgent need of affordable, quality child care in our country. The Nebraska ETV network is joining this effort with a localized programming and outreach campaign called "Child Care Nebraska".

Nebraska ETV has scheduled a variety of other special programs on child care to air the week of April 10-16.

The Daycare Disgrace	3 pm, Sunday, April 10
America's Children: Who Cares, Who Should?	9 pm, Monday, April 11
Who Cares for the Children?	7 pm, Wednesday, April 13
Dateline Nebraska (child care issues)	7 pm, Thursday, April 14
Mister Rogers Talks With Parents About Day Care	7:30 pm, Thursday, April 14
The Daycare Dilemma	6:30 pm, Saturday, April 16

Nebraska ETV is also making available a packet of child care information for parents and child care providers. The material will be available on request in April by writing or calling the Nebraska ETV Information Department, PO Box 83111, Lincoln NE 68501, 402/472-3611.

Sincerely,

*Lynda Radant*

Lynda Radant

Extension Agent - Home Economics



# In 1948, Norman Rockwell honored 4-H in an illustration. Today, you can honor 4-H with this set of limited edition collector's plates.

Back in 1948, Norman Rockwell traveled around Jay County, Indiana with Herald K. Rippey, County Agent. The results of his experience became a wonderful painting and a 2-page illustration in the Saturday Evening Post. This is the only painting Mr. Rockwell ever made depicting 4-H. Today, the original art is hanging in the Nebraska Center for Continuing Education at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln. Many things may have changed since 1948, but the dedicated tradition of 4-H members remains.

We are offering these plates as they were seen in the Saturday Evening Post, as a two plate set. The first issue, on the left, shows Mr. Rippey examining a livestock entry for the coming county fair while the father of the 4-H member looks on. The second issue, on the right, shows the 4-H members waiting for their entries to be pre-judged. Together, you experience the long tradition of 4-H that has benefited so many young people through the years.

To preserve the color and detail of the original painting, we have chosen an 8½", fine porcelain plate with a rich border of 23K gold as the "canvas". Great care has been taken in preparing special ceramic transfers to assure the best color balance and detail. These full color transfers are hand applied to the plate and "fired" in a special kiln at very high temperatures, permanently fusing the



color to the plate. Each plate will be individually hand numbered on a special backstamp and accompanied by a matching numbered certificate, affirming your plates status as part of this historic limited edition.

"The County Agent" pair of collector's plates were created exclusively for

4-H. We are offering them as a set or individually for only \$29.95 each plus shipping and handling. The proceeds of your purchase will help to support 4-H programs in your area. But don't delay, the edition is limited and we wouldn't want you to miss this opportunity.

## Ship To

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City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
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Make check payable to the

**Nebraska 4-H Development Foundation**

Mail this form with your payment to:

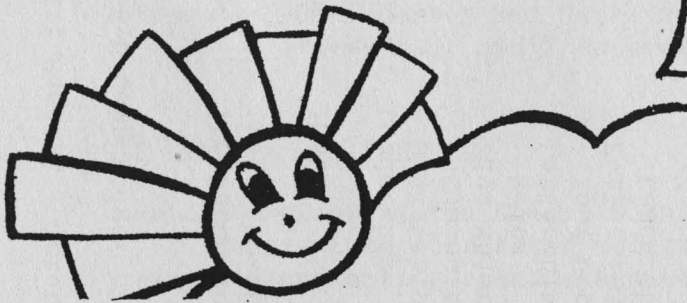
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		( Add \$3.50 for one plate	_____
		Add \$1.00 for each additional single plate )	_____
		Add \$4.50 for each 2 plate framed set	_____
		Total AMOUNT enclosed	\$ _____

**Proceeds from your purchase will help Nebraska youth through 4-H**

# Homemaker Reflections



Hi Extension Friends,

SUMMER 1988

I am writing this to you with the morning sun streaming through my kitchen window. Aren't we all so thankful that the extreme heat has finally cooled down? It was terribly hard on man and beast...and it wasn't all that good for women!!

Hubby and I have been putting up the hay for the cows to gobble down this winter. I doubt if "Bossy" even cares how much sweat (or should I say perspire) and the many lines of cuss words that go into each bale. Things go so much nicer when our old machinery holds together,...but we love it!!

I got up early June 9th to go to Norfolk to attend the State Convention. (Where were the Cherry County Girls? I hope to make you feel guilty!)

My first stop was the Delegates Luncheon where I found Lynda Radant and Ardith Burton who had already gone down on Tuesday. We had a very nice luncheon at which I won a door prize of a potted watermelon plant. I set it out in my garden and its blooming like mad.

In the afternoon we attended the learnshops. I went to "Using Color and Pattern in Your Home", A cultural Arts Program, Health and Safety - "Alcohol Trivia", all of which were very informative.

Thursday evening we attended the "Melons and Music Banquet" with our own Ardith Burton presiding. She was just as humorous in Norfolk as she is in Cherry County!

The Great Nebraska Family was recognized and honored, which was Les and Betty Kime. The all-around Lady (Betty) had a broken leg which she acquired the week before when her horse fell with her. I don't think she was too "fond" of those crutches!

Friday morning was the County Chairs Breakfast and then on to Donna Hawley, R.N. B.S.N., Image: Sign-Post to the Future". At Noon was the closing luncheon. I wish you ladies could have seen the 3 tiers of food they had prepared.

I have touched on some of the highlights at the Convention. Some of the ladies I talked to haven't forgotten The Convention held in Valentine last year.

Achievement Day will be held in Kilgore on September 28.

See You There!

Your Extension Friend,

Connie Robertson  
Connie Robertson



NCHEC District Meeting - October 27, 1988

Halsey 4-H Camp Lodge

9:00 - 9:30	The Gathering (refreshments)
10:00 - 11:00	IMAGE: Who Needs It?
11:01 - 12:00	Leadership Leadership in Community Groups Five Major Leadership Roles Leadership - It's Your Decision Evaluating Your Leadership Effectivness
12:01 - 1:00	Lunch Reservations to Extension Office - please!
1:01 - 2:00	Finding Your Way Through City Hall How to Make a Presentation How to Write to Government Officials Update Your Legislative IQ Action List: Getting Involved Choices for Political Action at the Local Level *Public Hearings
2:30	Adjourn

ALL Extension Club Members Are Invited to  
attend!!

Cherry County  
Home  
Extension Clubs

Achievement Day

September 28, 1988

1:30 p.m. MT

Kilgore Grade School

"Fall Out for Style"

###

Susan Kerr's - Style Show

and

Cozy Fireside Extension Club

CHERRY COUNTY HOME EXTENSION COUNCIL

Brief Outline of Officers Job Descriptions

Elections: Chairperson and Secretary - odd numbered years  
Vice-Chair and Treasurer - even numbered years

County Council Chairperson:

- shall represent the Cherry County Home Extension Clubs by attending the Cherry County Extension Board meetings
- shall plan meeting agendas and conduct at least four business meetings per year
- shall feel free to call special meetings as necessary
- will conduct the installation service for new officers
- attend annual state meeting
- will be acquainted with the Council's Constitution and see that the Council follows its constitution (encourage updating when necessary)
- fill out forms required by Nebraska Council of Home Extension Clubs (NCHEC) Board (year's highlights from Committee Chair's yearly reports)
- write HOMEMAKER REFLECTIONS NEWSLETTER
- assist Extension Agent - Home Economics - in carrying out "shared activities" coordination for Home Economics programming.
- encourage Council to coordinate county activities with NCHEC Plan of Work
- shall deliver to her successor such books and records as belong to the office on or before January 1 of expiring term

*ministration  
needed:*

County Vice-Chairperson

- will take the responsibilities of the County Council Chairperson whenever necessary
- attend annual state meeting
- Help coordinate County goals and activities (Plan of Work) for the coming year
- shall deliver to her successor such books and records as belongs to the office on or before January 1 of expiring term

County Council Secretary

- preside at the county council meeting when Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson are absent
- shall keep a record of the minutes for each council meeting and executive (or other) meetings as requested by Chairperson
- submit minutes (as soon as possible) to Extension Office for appropriate distribution or mailings
- determine attendance at each meeting, listing those present to be included with minutes
- handle correspondence as requested
- maintain council Motions record
- keep a copy of the constitution and by-laws with amendments properly entered
- shall deliver to her successor such books and records as belong to the office on or before January 1 of expiring term



*Nomination  
needed:*

County Council Treasurer

- shall notify the club presidents of the amount of dues and due dates for membership dues (county-state-national association)
- shall submit a record of those clubs paying dues to the treasurer of the Nebraska Home Extension Council by April 1 of the current year
- shall include information on the voluntary Friendship Coins program
- shall pay the bills and make a report at each council meeting of the council's financial situation
- make up a proposed budget for the next year
- take the responsibility of having the books audited by three persons at the end of term
- make an annual report of the financial records
- shall deliver to her successor such books and records as belongs to the office on or before January 1

Group Chairpersons (Mid and West-end Cherry County)  
(not elected - but volunteer)

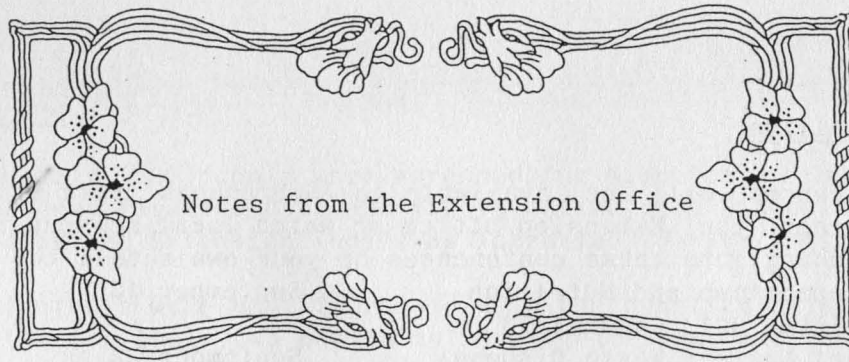
- shall act as the representative or contact person for the clubs in her training center area
- shall make arrangements for a meeting place for the leader training meetings in your area if called upon by the Extension Agent (keys, set-up if needed, heat, storm cancellations, etc.)

Extension Agent - Home Economics

- sets dates for county training meetings and trains lesson leaders
- serves in an advisory role to executive, budget, membership, nominating, recognition, scholarship, thrust, tour or special project committee meetings as well as council meetings
- duplicates and distributes newsletters
- assist in planning the year's program for council activities

Council Members and Club Member volunteers

- encourage club membership promotion by contacting new members, helping organize new clubs and promotion Extension Clubs/University of Nebraska relationships
- encourage member growth through new leadership roles and responsibilities and learnings
- assist with programming/learnings by volunteer roles in all aspects of meetings or workshops (set-up through clean-up or program participation)
- assist County Council by volunteering your learning/sharing time
- attend county, district and state meetings whenever possible
- foster friendship and sharing by encouraging others (and self) to learn in new leadership roles



## Notes from the Extension Office

### Cultural Arts Exhibits for 1989

Categories for next year's cultural arts entries will be

- \*Sculpture - wood, clay and metal

- \*Fiber Arts - knitting, crocheting, macrame

- \*Ceramics - pottery, free-form and commercial mold

A new ruling will permit Extension Club members to enter exhibits that have been completed within the three years last time frame - or since the last time this category was available. (Entries made after 1986.)

### Great Nebraska Family

Congratulations are extended to the Dave and Kay Sandoz Family. They were honored at the Cherry County Fair as the entry for Cherry County to Nebraska Council of Home Extension Clubs state competition. They also rode in the Cherry County Parade.

Next year's family will be the Mae and Henry Schneider family of Cody.

### Frosting on the Cake!

The Cherry County Fair Exhibit Hall really looked fantastic this year due to every club making a good effort to bring in their club banners. One 4-H Club even hung one in the Exhibit Hall and others were challenged to make one also!

Thanks to the special people making efforts to get the banners to town, and those who braved the ladders to hang them!

### BEAUTIFUL 4-H Display Cases

Did you notice the new 4-H display cases at the Cherry County Fair? 4-H members, leaders (and agents!) were tickled to death with the new, secure, dust proof way to exhibit 4-H items. Special THANKS to the China Shop and Table Top Talent, Emanon, Happy Homemakers, Merriman Homemakers, and Cherry Homemakers Extension Clubs for your generous support!

### Big Screen TV at Camp

The State 4-H Camp at Halsey now has the distinction of being a University of Nebraska - Satellite Downlink site. Educational programs from various Universities and the University of Nebraska cooperate to extend new information to clients via satellite delivery. These locations also have audio hookups to communicate back to those presenting new information. (This means you can finally talk back or talk to the TV people!)

The camp is trying to purchase a big screen TV so many people will be able to see these conferences easier. Anyone or organization can contribute to the camp TV by contacting the Cherry County Extension Office.



### Education via Satellite

Video conferences will be available to Nebraskans this fall. For more information, contact the Extension Office or watch local newspapers for special instructions on tuning into these conferences on your own satellite.

Beef Preparation and Nutrition	September 13	7-8 p.m. CT
Telstar 301, Channel 18		
Low Level Nuclear Waste Disposal	September 22	9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Westar IV Channel (6 Direct)		
Sustainable Agriculture in the Midwest	October 26	10:30 a.m - 12 CT
Balancing Work and Family	November 3	12 noon - 2 p.m. CT
Income Tax Management for Farmers	December 7	2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

### Exchange Program

How would you like to travel to another state or country and stay in the homes of other women who are interested in learning more about other people in the world? Nebraska is considering just such a project. We are researching the pro's and con's with other states who have initiated this project. We would need to start building a fund to support this new venture. The possible use of some of the monies from Friendship Coins could be used this way. Special donations would also be welcomed. If you have any suggestions on how to further this exchange, please contact Connie Jacobson.

### Bed and Breakfast Business

The North Central publication "Developing a Bed and Breakfast Business Plan" has arrived! The office has a copy or they can be purchased for \$1.00.

### Commemorative Stamp

In 1990, 4-H will be celebrating its 75th anniversary. A movement is currently underway to convince the U.S. Postal Service that this event deserves a U.S. Commemorative Stamp. Because of the requests for new stamps (approximately 18-24 months), it is imperative that the Postal Service hear from the 4-H community as soon as possible.

4-H members, parents, donors, and volunteers who would like to see a 4-H stamp issued should write to the following address indicating that they endorse the proposal for a commemorative 4-H 75th anniversary stamp. It is imperative that the committee hear from us in large numbers if we hope to see this stamp become a reality.

Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee  
U.S., Postal Service  
c/o Stamp Development Branch  
475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW  
Washington D.C. 20260-6351



## Health Screening

Approximately 130 people were screened for diabetes at the Cherry County Fair thanks to the Cozy Fireside Club and the Valentine Area Diabetic Chapter! Balloons were provided by the Extension ladies as incentive to have their fingers pricked for the test.

The volunteers were most impressed with the quantity of people that took the responsibility for their own health to have their sugar and cholesterol levels and blood pressure checked! Everybody gained from the volunteer help! Thanks!

## Ever wonder about the name?

"Extending" the University of Nebraska to the people of the state is the goal of the Cooperative Extension Service. Where does "Cooperative" fit? Its an educational venture between the United States Department of Agriculture, the land-grant University of Nebraska and the County Extension Board of Cherry County. Within the University, the Cooperative Extension program is directed by the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources but networks into all the colleges and schools within University that include teaching, research and extension!

## New Lessons for 1989

Leaders will receive training for the new lessons to take back to their clubs after January 1. The exact months will be sent to your club presidents for planning your new year's program. These lessons were chosen by the Home Economics committee.

Eating Out Lightly but Delightfully

Housekeeping in a Hurry

Color Expressions for your Home

Abuse: The Family's Hidden Secret

New Study Lessons for 1989 are:

Laundry Aids: Sorting Out the Facts

Evaluating Nursing Home and Medigap Insurance

AIDS/STD's - The Sexually Transmitted Diseases

Do Yourself a Flavor: Spices, Herbs, and Flavorings

Workshop possibilities are:

Sewing for Your Changing Figure

Women on Wheels (Car buying, maintenance and repair)

## Good Sports!

As the Council had a vacancy in the Secretary's position, Joan Beyea stepped forward and said, "Sure, I'll help you out!".

When Brenda Daum moved, and the Publicity position opened, Mary Ward said "Sure! I can handle that!" And so all the news articles for Home Extension club reports now should be mailed to:

Mary Ward

PO Box 426

Valentine NE 69201

402/376-3440

Boy! Isn't it great to have friends and volunteers that will help out like that? That's what makes Extension clubs great!

Nominations needed:

Enclosed is a job description for the 1989 Vice-Chair position and Treasurer. Betty Quick and Sandi Ormesher have provided greatly appreciated service to our organization.

The nomination committee chaired by Patty Colburn is now seeking nominations to the Executive Board. The appointment is for two years (or 8 meetings). The person must have served as a club president. If you are interested but have not served on the Council, volunteer to be the 1989 club president! (And watch everyone faint!)

The Cooperative Extension Service is undergoing lots of changes and entering an exciting new era. Now's the time to step forward and say, "Sure, I can handle that!"

Mark your Calendars

Three very exciting events are coming up so mark your calendars for September 28 and 29 and read the enclosed flyer for September 20 and 21 - Really give the Women in Ag - Building the Future conference consideration for your fall get-away.

Membership Booth at County Fair

Special thanks to Meredieth Daly, Delores Colburn, and others (of whose names I don't have) for setting up the Extension Club recruitment booth at County Fair and being there to answer questions!

Footsteps lead everyone right to the Rainbow of Experiences! Thanks, gals!

It's been a long, busy but extremely rewarding summer in the Extension Office. The 4-H'ers and volunteers pulled together to make the 4-H year fantastic!

Our 1987 State Convention in Valentine was wonderful, too, and all of us have had a very relaxed year.

Now the fall routine is back again and I'm excited about new lessons, workshops and endless possibilities for 1988-89. I'm saying I really missed the close working relationships and fun we've had when we were busier! I'm ready! Are you?

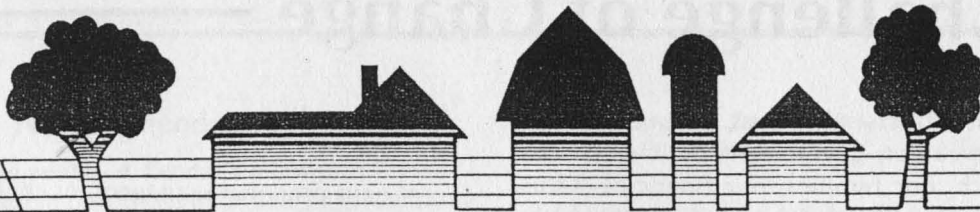
On your marks, get set...

Let's Go!

*Lynda*

Lynda Radant C.H.E.  
Extension Agent Chair  
Home Economics





# Women In Agriculture: Building The Future

*The fourth annual women's  
farm and ranch management conference  
presents:*

## **"The Challenge of Change"**

**September 20 & 21, 1988  
Holiday Inn  
Kearney, Nebraska**

**Sponsored by:**

**Nebraska Cooperative Extension Service  
Department of Agricultural Economics  
University of Nebraska-Lincoln**



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# The Challenge of Change

Change — it affects all of us. We experience change in the weather, government policies, prices, costs, our health, our families, our financial status. How do you deal with it? Do you look upon the changes affecting you as threats or as challenging new opportunities? Dealing effectively with change is a key to success in farming, ranching, and family life.

The fourth annual Women in Agriculture: Building the Future conference is designed to provide women with skills and ideas for managing farm and ranch businesses in these turbulent times. Personal and family attitudes toward change are also addressed.

The entire conference emphasizes improving and acquiring everyday management skills that are relevant to your operation. The focus is on you and your role as a management partner.

## Who Should Attend?

- All farm and ranch women who are interested in learning more about farm/ranch management
- Women who are involved in the day-to-day farm and family decisions
- Lady land owners

## Ag Woman Of The Year

The Ag Woman of the Year award recognizes the contributions that women make to the management of farms and ranches. The award is presented to a woman who exemplifies the management skills that are being promoted at the conference. This year's award will be presented at the Tuesday evening banquet.

The Ag Woman of the Year receives a check for \$50.00, an engraved plaque, and a year's subscription to AGNET. Sponsors of the award are the Nebraska Independent Bankers Association, the Nebraska State Department of Agriculture, Nebraska Farmer and the University of Nebraska Cooperative Extension System. To be considered for this award, please contact Jane Green, 226 Filley Hall, UNL East Campus, Lincoln, NE 68583-0922 or call 1-800-535-3456.

## Key Benefits:

- Learn practical management skills
- Improve your marketing savvy
- Recharge your energy level
- Gain confidence in dealing with change
- Improve your family relationships
- Feel better about yourself.

## Keynote Speakers

**Dr. James Kendrick** — A professor and currently Interim Head of the Department of Agricultural Economics at the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources, University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL). He has been at UNL since he received his doctorate degree in economics from Ohio State University in 1962.

Kendrick's areas of expertise include agricultural marketing, agricultural policy, and use of computers for agricultural application. He also is the co-founder of AGNET, the international agricultural computing network.

**Dr. Chuck Lofy** — Recognizing that how a person responds to change is even more critical than the change itself has enabled Dr. Chuck Lofy to help people successfully adjust to the many transitions they face during a lifetime.

Lofy received his B.A. and M.A. degrees in philosophy from St. Louis University and his doctorate in theology from the Gregorian University in Rome, Italy. He went on to do postdoctoral work in religion and psychiatry at the Menninger Institute in Topeka, Kansas. He co-founded the Wellness Center of Minnesota in Mankato. Dr. Lofy recently started his own consulting firm.

**Cheryl Tevis** — As senior farm issues editor for *Successful Farming*, Cheryl has been with the magazine since 1979. Previously she worked with *Farm Wife News* as an associate editor. She received her bachelor's degree from Morningside College in Sioux City, IA and her M.A. from the University of Missouri School of Journalism.

Cheryl grew up on a grain and livestock farm in Iowa. She and her husband, Stan Lingren, and daughter, Allison, have a hog operation near Pilot Mound, IA.

## Workshops Worth Attending

### Financial Statements - A Lender's View

*Michelle Norton*, Loan Review Officer, First National Bank of Holdrege

- Learn what financial statements a lender needs
- Find out on what information a lender bases the loan decision
- See examples of bank forms that you sign

### Basic Marketing Tools

*Monte Romohr*, Gresham Farmer

- Receive a farmer's overview of marketing
- Understand why cost of production affects marketing strategies
- Get a down-to-earth explanation of terms, tools and alternatives

### Record Keeping Concepts

*Bonita Schuster*, Steinauer Farm Woman and Consultant, Nebraska Farm Business Association

- Learn the information needed for a good record-keeping system
- Find out why you should keep records beyond tax purposes
- See how to handle PIK & Roll transactions

### Family Communication

*Kathy Linsenmeyer*, Beatrice Farm Woman and Educator

- Explore what is hindering your family's communication
- Discuss ways of dealing with those hindrances
- Get realistic ideas and suggestions on improving communication

### Relaxation and Exercise

*Vicki Highstreet*, Wellness and Instructional Sports Coordinator, UNL

- Discover how relaxation and exercise can improve your attitude
- Receive a hands-on demonstration of relaxation and exercise
- Find new ways to keep your energy level up

### Starting a Business on the Farm

*Betty Streff*, Orleans Farm Woman and Owner, Apple Kays, Orleans & Betty Jane's, Kearney

- Determine what you need in order to start a business
- Learn how to deal with growth in your business
- Become aware of resources that are available to businesses

### Realistic Use of Computers

*Jim Emal*, UNL Microcomputer Specialist & *Marilynne Bergman*, Ithaca Farm Woman and Owner, Farm Accounting Service

- Learn what you can realistically expect a computer to do
- Find out projects and possibilities for a farm computer system
- Master your "computer fear"

### Information Management- A Marketing Application

*Elizabeth Curry-Williams*, Associate Editor, Professional Farmers of America & *Otto Geiger*, Cozad Farmer

- Prioritize sources of marketing information
- Learn where to find pertinent information
- Begin using information to make marketing decisions

### Tax Planning

*Glennis McClure*, Farm Woman and Consultant, Nebraska Farm Business Association

- Discuss pertinent tax laws that have been changed
- Learn basic record-keeping techniques for tax management
- Find out how to estimate your 1988 income tax liabilities

### Marketing PIK Certificates

*Shirley Peterson*, Merrick County Executive Director, ASCS

- Understand how PIK & Roll works
- Become enlightened on other PIK marketing alternatives
- Learn what determines the buy-back Posted County Price (PCP)

### Government Farm Programs

*Carmen Patent*, Randolph Farm Woman & Nebraska State ASCS Boardmember

- Review present farm program
- Find out new payment limitations for 1989
- Discuss alternative farm program policies for the 1990 farm bill

### Business Organization Structures for the Farm or Ranch

*Gary Bredensteiner*, Director, Nebraska Farm Business Association

- Get an overview of different structures available in agriculture
- Learn factors to consider when selecting an organizational structure
- Learn the reasons for the success or failure of farm organizations

### Federal & State Farm Policy Issues

*Roy Frederick*, Director, Nebraska Department of Agriculture

- Identify key policy issues facing Nebraska agriculture
- Examine the affect of these issues on your operation
- Discuss resolutions of these issues

### Estate Planning

*Lowell J. Moore*, North Platte Attorney

- Realize the importance of a Will
- Receive ideas on structuring your estate
- Learn what you should ask yourself and family members

### Decision Making

*TBA*, Kearney State College

- Learn the decision-making process
- Find out how to collect information to make decisions
- Determine the best way for you to make decisions

### Perspectives on Change

*Dr. Chuck Lofy*, Consultant and Educator, Mankato, Minnesota

- Understand the dynamics of change
- Change the way you think about change
- Equip yourself to deal with change

## AGENDA

### Tuesday, September 20, 1988

- 9:30 - 10:00 - Registration
- 10:00 - 10:10 - Welcome
- 10:10 - 10:45 - Keynote Speaker - Dr. James Kendrick
- 11:00 - 12:30 - Workshop Series I
- 12:30 - 1:30 - Lunch
- 1:30 - 3:00 - Workshop Series II
- 3:00 - 3:30 - Break
- 3:30 - 5:00 - Workshop Series III
- 6:00 - 7:30 - Dinner and Presentation of Ag Woman of the Year

### Wednesday, September 21, 1988

- 8:00 - 8:15 - Opening Remarks
- 8:15 - 9:30 - Keynote Speaker - Dr. Chuck Lofy
- 9:30 - 10:00 - Break
- 10:00 - 12:00 - Workshop Series IV
- 12:00 - 1:30 - Lunch - Keynote Speaker - Cheryl Tevis



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To better facilitate materials and room space, please mark which of these workshops you would like to attend.

### Tuesday September 20, 1988

#### Workshop Series I

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Planning
- \_\_\_\_\_ Record Keeping
- \_\_\_\_\_ Basic Marketing Tools
- \_\_\_\_\_ Family Communication
- \_\_\_\_\_ Marketing PIK Certificates
- \_\_\_\_\_ Business Organizations
- \_\_\_\_\_ Starting a Business on the Farm
- \_\_\_\_\_ Financial Statements - A Lender's View
- \_\_\_\_\_ Relaxation and Exercise

### Workshop Series II

1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Government Farm Programs
- \_\_\_\_\_ Basic Marketing Tools
- \_\_\_\_\_ Estate Planning
- \_\_\_\_\_ Relaxation and Exercise
- \_\_\_\_\_ Family Communication
- \_\_\_\_\_ Starting a Business on the Farm
- \_\_\_\_\_ Decision Making
- \_\_\_\_\_ Federal & State Farm Policy Issues
- \_\_\_\_\_ Information Processing - A Marketing Application

### Workshop Series III

3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Record Keeping Concepts
- \_\_\_\_\_ Government Farm Program
- \_\_\_\_\_ Estate Planning
- \_\_\_\_\_ Financial Statements - A Lender's View
- \_\_\_\_\_ Decision Making
- \_\_\_\_\_ Marketing PIK Certificates
- \_\_\_\_\_ Federal & State Farm Policy Issues
- \_\_\_\_\_ Business Organizations
- \_\_\_\_\_ Information Processing - A Marketing Application

### Wednesday, September 21, 1988

#### Workshop Series IV

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

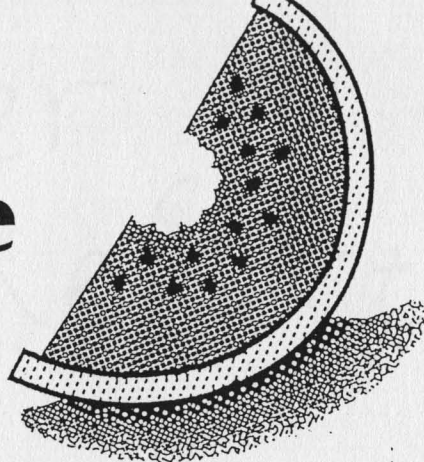
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# "A Slice of the Good Life"



## WATERMELON PIE

1 1/2 c. watermelon rind  
1 c. sugar  
1 t. cinnamon  
1/3 t. nutmeg  
1/4 t. cloves  
Pinch of salt  
2 T. flour  
1/4 c. vinegar  
1/2 c. raisins (opt.)  
1 pastry recipe for double crust pie

Cut green rind and most of the pink from watermelon. Cut into 1/4 inch cubes. Cover with water; cook till tender. Drain. Add next 8 ingredients.

Pour into pastry shell; cover with pastry. Bake at 450 degrees till crust is brown. Reduce temperature to 350 degrees; bake till filling is set.

## MELONADE COOLER

1 - 5# section watermelon  
1/4 c. sugar  
3 T. lemon juice  
lemon-lime soda, chilled  
1 qt. lime sherbert  
12 fresh strawberries  
In advance:

Scoop pulp from watermelon; remove the seeds. Pur'ee half of the watermelon in blender; pour into bowl. Repeat with remaining watermelon. Add to pur'ee in bowl. Stir in sugar and lemon juice. Mix well. Cover and refrigerate.

To serve:

Pour 1/3 c. pur'ee mixture in each of 6 (12 oz.) glasses. Refrigerate remaining 2 c. pur'ee and reserve for seconds. Pour lemon-lime soda to within 1" of top of glass. Top with a scoop of lime sherbert. Garnish each glass with a strawberry.

6 servings plus seconds

## WATERMELON PINK SHERBERT

3/4 c. sugar  
1/2 c. water  
Salt to taste  
2 T. lemon juice  
1 T. lime juice  
2 C. watermelon pulp, crushed

Boil sugar and water until mixture spins fine thread; cool. Add salt, lemon and lime juice to watermelon pulp. Add syrup; stir. Pour into ice cube trays or loaf pan; freeze overnight.

## FREEZING WATERMELON

Wash, cut in half, remove seeds, cut in slices, cubes or balls. Melons may be frozen with or without sugar; if with sugar use 1 part sugar to 4 parts melon or cover melon with chilled 30% syrup. Leave appropriate head room. Seal and freeze.

## WATERMELON RIND CHUTNEY

1 qt. prepared watermelon rind  
2 T. salt  
1 1/4 c. sugar  
2 c. cider vinegar  
1 1/4 c. light corn syrup  
1/2 lemon (peeled & cut up)  
1/2 golden raisins  
1/2 c. chopped onion  
1 small clove garlic  
1/4 t. ginger  
1/4 t. cinnamon

To prepare rind, remove green skin and red portions, cut in 1/4" cubes. Cover with water. Add salt, let stand for 2 hrs. Turn into colander and rinse under cold running water and drain. Cover and boil gently until tender but not soft (30 min. or a little longer). In a clean saucepan mix sugar, vinegar, syrup, lemon, raisins, onion, garlic (minced) and cinnamon. Add rind. Cool until rind is transparent and syrup is reduced (about 1 to 1 1/2 hrs.). Fill half pint jars and process in boiling water bath for 10 minutes.

OCTOBER 1987  
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CHERRY COUNTY

## AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Field Day at Gudmundsen Sandhills Lab went very well. There were five people from Cherry County that rode with me in the NRD van to the tour. The field day drew over twice as many people as the organizers expected. In all there were about 50 Cherry County residents in attendance. Due to the large crowd plans had to be changed and the tour was not as extensive as we had hoped. Many producers wanted to look at the grazing study, fencing, and solar powered wells set up this year. I have visited with Don Clanton and Jim Nichols about holding a Range Field Day next June to specifically look at the grazing study. Plans have been initiated to hold it towards the end of June and invite producers from Sandhills counties to explain what researchers are looking at in the meadow and grazing studies.

The paper Dennis Bauer and I had planned on presenting to the Nebraska Section Society for Range Management turned out to be my baby. Dennis wrenched his back and was unable to attend. I received several quesitons and many compliments on the presentation.

Dennis Bauer and I have been out to Lowell Belville's to help renovate some meadow ground using garrison creeping foxtail. We sprayed using two different chemicals, one was Roundup at 1 quart in 8 gallons of water, and the other is 58 ounces of Landmaster in 8 gallons of water. The visual evaluation of the spray treatments determined the Landmaster was a better treatment for lower cost per acre. The meadows were dry and we seeded portions of them on the 29th. Initially we hoped to seed all of the ground, but the water did come up and we will have to wait until freezing to seed the remaining meadow.

A potentially explosive situation has come up, dealing with trees dying in a canyon on Tim Colburn's. The Nebraska Department of Environmental Control has sent their representative from North Platte up to look at the situation. He was here on October 14 and asked if I would go with him to look at Tim's trees and then visit with Bill Joseph. The runoff from Joseph's feedlot is carrying manure and salts into the canyon and killing the pine trees. Some problems occurred when we visited with Bill; however, I went back to visit with him on the 22nd and things have cooled off.

Seven producers have called in with questions regarding beef rations and winter protein supplement. There are still calls about lawn problems dealing with brown patches. These have been diagnosed as fungal disease.

## COMMUNITY RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

The Managing Main Street Business Program began October 15. I was on the comment program to talk about Main Street on the 8th and received two additional businesses' enrollments because of the radio interview. I was unable to attend the first session and Lynda covered that night for me. There were seven businesses represented that night. We ended up with five businesses completing the six-week course. Comments on the first three sessions were very positive and the sixteen people seem very comfortable with the two instructors.

#### 4-H AND YOUTH

The Old West Regional Range Judging Contest held on October 3 was very successful. There were 189 contestants, 48 sponsors and 52 helpers involved in the contest. The youth and adults that judged were very complimentary about the contest and events. The atmosphere of the Fort Niobrara Refuge made the two day event very special. The plans to have key people on horseback for the contest was well received. The Wyoming sponsors commented that they were going to have a hard time putting together a contest to top or meet the 1987 Contest held here.

I attended the camp planning meeting for 4-H camp next year. The meeting was held at Halsey on the 23rd. Discussion centered around the camp dates and new activities to make the camps more attractive and less repeating of what has happened in past years.

The Stocker-Feeder Show and Sale went very well this year. We had 51 calves shown and sold 49 head. The only problem occurred when a buyer from Indiana did not pick up a calf he had bought. In checking it out the calf did not get listed on his buyer sheet and he was unaware he did not have it loaded until he got home. It all worked out and the seller took the calf back.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

Fall Conference was held in North Platte on the 20th and 21st. The first day was for agents and discussion was centered around the state of Extension and program development. The second day was a 4-H Seminar and was for all staff and secretaries. New projects and changes in existing projects were presented. We then talked about 4-H programs and shared experiences all Extension Units have had in programming for 4-H.



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NOVEMBER 1987

#### AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

I attended the in-service training in North Platte on November 2-4. The sessions I participated in were all on beef production. Topics were directed towards beef production and marketing. The most interesting and useful session was Breeding Cattle for Specification Beef Markets presented by Jim Gosey. Some of the breed information could easily fit into some Cherry County operations. The topic will be used in Cherry County in February when Dr. Gosey is up for a Coffee Shop Session.

The hay probe has been checked out by four people this month. I used it at Dick Ballards and took six samples to be sent in. Plans for the NIR meeting in December have progressed very well. I have twelve samples to be tested for the meeting so far.

The LOTUS 1-2-3 Computer Training scheduled for next month is shaping up nicely. We have four people registered to date and have had many others express an interest.

The Managing Mainstreet program was a very positive step for those attending. Comments on the program were very complimentary. All five of the businesses have told me they will help advertise and encourage others when we run the program again. The businesses all developed a set of goals and have made changes to attain those goals.

#### 4-H AND YOUTH

Achievement Night was a success. There were more people present than in 1986 and a good time was had by all. The accident that occurred that night did put quite a damper on the dance. However, the rest of the program was well received and went as planned. The most positive comments were on the "special awards" Lynda and I put together. There were also a lot of good comments on the recognition of parents along with the 4-H'ers.

I held a Shooting Sports informational meeting and was very surprised. We had 19 youth in attendance and each brought a parent with them. The kids were very excited and the parents felt this was a very worthwhile project and all were very supportive of the way we handle the entire program. The Hunter Safety Course will again be a requirement before the club members begin to shoot and the parents in attendance felt this was an excellent way to begin. A reorganizational meeting will be held in January.

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DECEMBER 1987

#### AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Near Infrared Reflectance feed testing meeting went very well. There were 11 producers, 1 feed salesman and 6 agency representatives in attendance. Five of the producers will be purchasing less supplemental feed for protein this year because of the results of their feed test. Since the meeting I have had four additional producers check out the probe to get their hay analyzed. The meeting accomplished at least one very good thing - convincing producers to test their forage and then purchase the supplement they need to balance a ration. The potential savings to producers is astronomical. It may not be in the form of reduced supplement costs but in livestock performance or both.

I met with Denny Bauer, Bud Stolzenburg, and Steve Pritchard to set up several meetings this winter. We plan to have different Extension Specialists in the area for Coffee Cup meetings in January, February, and March. Dates were also set up for Pesticide Training, Chemigation Training, an Ag Options Workshop, and Stocker Feeder Circuit meetings.

The Lotus 1-2-3 Training was attended by 12 people from 10 operations. Two were ranch businesses and the rest were various businesses from Valentine and Wood Lake. The comments were very positive and suggestions for several other computer workshops were made.

Lynda and I have made plans to hold an information gathering meeting with other agencies and village representatives about water quality. The increased concern and large number of requests for water testing kits through our office, show a need for education in Cherry County. The meeting will be held January 8 here in Valentine.

The calls I have received have almost all been concerning livestock nutrition and ration balancing. The last two weeks were very quiet when I was in the office. With Christmas and New Year's and the storm in between, not much was going on.

#### 4-H AND YOUTH

A Stocker Feeder Circuit meeting was held in Valentine to discuss the 1988 Show and Sale. There has been a concern over lower numbers of calves, especially at Bassett. Discussion centered around a combined show. It was decided to send ballots to everyone who participated in the 1987 Show and obtain feedback from the people. If the voting is positive from both Extension Units we will combine the 1988 Show and have it in Valentine. After an evaluation of 1988, future plans would be made. The voting will take place in January.

Meetings with each 4-H Council Standing Committee have been scheduled. Most of the meetings will occur in January. A planning sheet has been developed and will be used to map out plans for the 4-H year. The committees will need to take a more active role in planning and carrying out plans due to the staffing shortage. The people on the committees and the Council are very willing to help out in this way. Things are looking up and I feel the 4-H program in Cherry County will build and become very strong again.

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JANUARY 1988

#### AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

January was a very interesting month. Three meetings were postponed due to the weather. The water quality meeting with village water managers, agencies, and concerned citizens went very well. We had only three water managers in attendance; however, the information they contributed was very helpful. The ASCS office agreed to provide space in their newsletter, the SCS agreed to disseminate information to producers, the NRD is planning to start a sampling network, the village water managers agreed to provide test results. All people involved have been very willing to cooperate. Extension will provide a map and mark water quality as test results are collected.

The meadow soils school co-sponsored by Central Sandhills and Cherry County Extension Units was educational to all who attended. There were four agency people, seven producers that attended. Gary Hergert, Extension Soils Specialist, did an excellent job presenting the information and handling questions that came up. Between the seven producers, an estimated 1250 acres of meadow ground was covered.

Four additional producers submitted hay for sampling. These were sent to the NIR testing lab in Lincoln. Several calls were taken on winter beef nutrition. Producers were concerned about hay supply and interested in means to stretch their supply.

#### 4-H AND YOUTH

The Valentine Shooting Sports Club has re-organized and will again go through the Hunter Safety Program before beginning to shoot. There are 19 boys and girls registered for the club this year.

The Dog Training Classes have been scheduled and we met for the first time on the 17th. The remainder of the meetings will be held every Sunday through March. A mock trial will be held Sunday, April 17.

The 4-H Council met on the 27th to discuss plans for the coming year. We were planning to set up the calendar and present committee reports; however, several committee's were unable to meet due to weather so this item was tabled.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

I have received word from Oregon State on my acceptance into a PhD program and have decided to accept the position. I have enjoyed my work here in Cherry County and have expanded my knowledge considerably. I thank all of you for your support and hope to keep the many friendships I have made. I plan to work until March 18 and then move to Corvallis.



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FEBRUARY 1988

#### AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

February has been a hectic catch-up month. All the meetings we could not get to or hold in January just got moved in with the regular February month.. The Private Pesticide Applicator Training was held on the 9th. There were 10 producers certified at the meeting and three others certified by home study.

I met with Justin Brickner, ASCS, and Jan Joseph, SCS, to set up a series of informational meetings to help get information to producers dealing with Highly Erodible Land. They are scheduled for March 9, 10, and 11.

The Coffee Shop Sessions went very well this month. Jim Gosey talked about breeding programs and we had six producers in Merriman and only one in Valentine. Jim and I spent the morning of the 19th with Todd Rothleutner evaluating their breeding program and suggested some minor changes that I believe will help Wes and Todd improve their operation. The meeting with Don Hudson and Terry Mader on calving management and mineral nutrition was well attended. We had seven producers in Merriman and two in Valentine. We spent the morning of the 24th with Jerry Adamson looking at his livestock program. Between these two meetings we only had 15 producers, but they represented approximately 6500 cattle. When added to the two individual calls we made, producers management and ideas could affect 7500 to 8000 head of cattle in Cherry County. The Prairie Dog, Pocket Gopher, and Deer Damage meeting held in Valentine by the RC&D drew 34 people. There were no new procedures presented and many of the producers in attendance told me they were a little disappointed.

Gene Deutscher was up and we spent 1/2 a day with Dick Ballard on the IRM program. Through our suggestions and program ideas Dick has increased his percent calves weaned per cows exposed from 73% in 1986 to 79% in 1987. He has also increased his conception rate from 79% in 1985 to 90% in 1987. Another increase was made in his calf weaning weights from 464 to 492 (actual) comparing 1986 to 1987 respectively. The 205 adjusted weaning weights increased by 70 pounds. The one thing that did decrease was his winter supplement bill. This was very well accepted by him.

This month was again filled with calls on feeding beef cows in cold weather. More concern over nutrition just prior to calving was expressed by many producers. Especially because they were beginning to run out of their higher quality hay. The Nebraska Forage and Grassland Council area meeting in Ainsworth was attended by 30 producers. Six producers from Cherry County attended. There was quite a bit of interest on the topic I presented. Most producers in attendance agreed that they could afford to hay some meadow or upland earlier, thereby obtaining better quality hay and reducing their winter supplement bill.

I was invited to speak to the Garden Club on the 9th. There were 24 women in attendance. The meeting was very interesting and my topic of Nebraska Wildflowers for Landscaping was very well received.

#### 4-H AND YOUTH

The 4-H Leader Training went very well on the 4th. Evaluation of the program was very positive from those in attendance. I attended the District 4-H Council meeting with Pat Young and Tom Higgins. All three of us brought back information and ideas that I hope will be implemented in Cherry County.

The Valentine Shooting Sports Club has been meeting and I am taking the youth through the Hunter Safety Program. The group in Cody has also started to go through the Hunter Safety program. I was able to meet with all of the 4-H Committees and we have developed work-sheets for each area of responsibility.

The Sandhills Stocker-Feeder Circuit met again. It was decided to hold only one show this year. After counting ballots from 1987 participants, the response was overwhelming to combine the two shows into a one day show and sale. The event will be held here in Valentine with responsibilities shared between Cherry and BKR Extension. An evaluation after the 1988 event will be made to determine which direction to go. The 1988 Show and Sale will be held on October 10.

The Niobrara Horse Committee met and set up dates for the three shows. They are June 4, 11 and 25. District Horse Show is in Gordon on June 27.

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MARCH 1988

#### AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Well it is finally here! A break in the weather. Spring comes this month and my days on the job are getting fewer.

Jack Campbell was up for two Coffee Cup Sessions and drew five producers in Merriman and six here in Valentine. His topic of ear tags for fly control and the use of Ivomec was a hot topic. His recommendations were the same as last year's, dust bag, oilers, and possibly the Terminator tag. The tag ran out after two months last summer and the company is doubling the insecticide level for this year. The University will test the tags along with several others in 1988.

The Ag Options Workshop held on the 8th was not well attended. However, I wondered why I drove to Ainsworth (1 1/2 hour drive) that morning. I have had one producer come in and request a notebook from the University. The Highly Erodible Land meetings were set up for Merriman on the 9th, Valentine and Goose Creek School on the 19th, and District 180 on the 11th. I attended the Merriman and Valentine meetings. The Goose Creek School meeting was attended by two and the District 180 meeting was canceled due to weather.

I attended the Range Symposium in Lincoln on the 11th in conjunction with exit interviews with Administration. The Symposium centered on Conservation Reserve Program: What will it be like in 10 years? It was very informative. I also attended Spring Conference in North Platte on the 1st.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

Well this is it. There isn't much in this narrative because most of my time has been spent tying up things I am leaving. I believe and hope things are put together enough to carry through the interim between my leaving and a new agent coming.

I am having a hard time leaving because of the support and friendships I have developed and received over the past year and a half. I truly am thankful to all of you. Well my boxes are packed and in them I will carry a piece of everyone I have met in Cherry County. I hope to renew friendships in the future with you all. Adios.



1988 4-H GLASS CASE DONATIONS

GORDON VALLEY 4-H CLUB	35.00
HAPPY HOMEMAKERS EXTENSION CLUB	10.00
EMANON EXTENSION CLUB	10.00
MERRIMAN HOMEMAKERS EXTENSION CLUB	5.00
TABLE TOP TALENT EXTENSION CLUB	25.00
CHERRY HOMEMAKERS EXTENSION CLUB	<u>10.00</u>
	95.00